

FORTY-SIXTH DAY.

(Continued.)

(Thursday, March 19, 1925.)

The House met at 10 o'clock a. m. and was called to order by Speaker Satterwhite.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed the following bills:

H. B. No. 363, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create Common School District No. 5 in Refugio county, Texas; providing a board of trustees therefor; vesting said common school district board of trustees with all the rights, powers, privileges and duties conferred upon common school districts incorporated under the general laws of Texas,"

H. B. No. 676, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 132, Local and Special Laws, Thirty-fifth Legislature, Regular Session, same being 'An Act creating Pineland Independent School District No. 3 in Sabine county, Texas,' by extending the boundaries of said district, and providing that the annexed territory shall bear its pro rata part of an outstanding bond issue of Common School District No. 31 of said county," etc.

H. B. No. 671, A bill to be entitled "An Act to repeal House bill No. 34, passed by the Thirty-ninth Legislature, Regular Session, and approved March 4, 1925, the same being 'An Act to amend Chapter 110, Local and Special Laws of the Thirty-third Legislature, Regular Session, creating and establishing the Pearsall Independent School District in Frio county, Texas, and to restore the school districts affected thereby to their status prior to the passage of the said act of the Thirty-ninth Legislature,' and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 604, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating the Twin Wells Independent County Line School District," etc.

H. B. No. 611, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Salem Independent School District in Swisher county, Texas," etc.

H. B. No. 615, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the St. Paul Independent School District, situated in San

Patricio county, Texas," with amendments.

H. C. R. No. 59, Requesting the Governor to return House bill No. 593 for further consideration.

H. B. No. 619, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating Robertson Independent School District in Crosby county, Texas."

H. B. No. 626, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create Westbrook Independent School District in Mitchell county, Texas," etc.

H. B. No. 637, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a more efficient road system for Stonewall county, Texas; providing that the commissioners court of said county shall be authorized to issue bonds of said county for the purpose of funding or refunding indebtedness incurred for road and bridge purposes, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 639, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 75 of the Acts of the Third Called Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature," etc.

H. B. No. 640, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend an act creating and incorporating the O'Donnell Independent School District in the counties of Lynn and Dawson in the State of Texas."

H. B. No. 642, A bill to be entitled "An Act to validate the incorporation of the city of Littlefield, as adopted by the qualified voters of said city at an election held on the ninth day of August, 1924, under the provisions of Chapter 15, Title 22, Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, as amended by Chapter 21, Acts of 1913, Regular Session, as amended by Chapter 60, Acts of 1921, Regular Session."

H. B. No. 646, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 9, Special Laws of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, Third Called Session, the same being entitled 'An Act extending the boundaries of and adding territory to the Lamesa Independent School District in Dawson county, defining the boundaries of said district as hereby extended,' etc."

H. B. No. 643, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create Calliham Independent School District in Live Oak and McMullen counties, Texas, including therein the present Calliham School District No. 3 of the said counties," with amendments.

H. B. No. 377, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing trustees of any common or independent school district

of this State to pay off any indebtedness," with amendments.

H. B. No. 474, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 7235, Chapter 6, Title 124, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1911, as amended by Chapter 72, General Laws of the Thirty-third Legislature, and Chapters 26 and 99, General Laws of the Thirty-fourth Legislature, and Chapter 131, General Laws of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, and Chapter 10 of the General Laws of the Second Called Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, with reference to the mode of preventing horses and certain other animals from running at large in the counties named, so as to include Hudspeth county, Texas, and declaring an emergency."

H. J. R. No. 5, Reducing the size of the Legislature and fixing salaries thereto.

Respectfully,
MORRIS C. HANKINS,
Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT ON SENATE BILL NO. 438.

Mr. Wester, Chairman, submitted the following Free Conference Committee report on Senate bill No. 438:

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 17, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate, and Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sirs: The Conference Committee appointed by the President of the Senate and the Conference Committee appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives to adjust the differences between the Senate and the House in reference to

S. B. No. 438, A bill to be entitled "An Act making appropriations to pay miscellaneous claims against the State and authorizing payment of said miscellaneous items on the taking effect of this act, and declaring an emergency,"

Reg leave to report that they have reached an agreement, and submit for adoption the following:

1. The bill as finally passed by the Senate has been adopted save and except the following items:

The claim of Brazoria county for payment of taxes on State lands, 1923 and 1924, for \$9737.52, said claim being found at the top of page 16 of the type-

written Senate bill, and also two items at the top of page 17 of the typewritten Senate bill as follows:

Fort Bend county, for taxes on State lands, 1923 and 1924, for \$5677.87.

Houston county, taxes on State lands, 1923 and 1924, for \$2588.28.

2. The Conference Committees have also agreed upon all House amendments to said Senate bill No. 438, except the following:

The amendment to strike out \$20,000 item to Mrs. Kate Chambers Sturgis and Mrs. Stella J. MacGregor, it being the intention of the members of the Conference Committee to permit this item to remain in the bill as passed by the Senate.

3. There is also added to this report for adoption by the House and Senate an item as follows:

To Judge A. D. Lipscomb, special district judge, for expenses as district judge in July and August, 1923, \$77.28.

Respectfully submitted,

PRICE,
TRIPLETT
MOORE of Cooke,
REID,
DAVIS,

On the part of the Senate.

WESTER,
GRAVES,
CONWAY,
DAVIS,
COFFEY,
RICE,

On the part of the House.

Mr. Wester moved that the report be adopted.

Mr. Jordan submitted the following motion:

I move that the conference report be rejected and that a new Conference Committee be appointed, and that they be instructed to amend Senate bill No. 438 as follows: "Provided that not more than 10 per cent of this appropriation shall be paid as attorney's fees by the Chambers heirs."

On motion of Mr. Fields, the motion of Mr. Jordan was tabled.

Question recurring on the adoption of the report, yeas and nays were demanded.

The report was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—60.

Mr. Speaker.	Bean.
Alexander	Boggs.
of Limestone.	Bonham.
Atkinson.	Bryant.

Carter.	Mankin.
Chitwood.	McDougald.
Coffey.	Moore.
Conway.	Parish.
Cox of Lamar.	Perdue.
Cox of Navarro.	Petsch.
Davis of Wood.	Poage.
Dielmann.	Purl.
Dinkle.	Raymer.
Donnell.	Rice.
Downs.	Robinson.
Dunn of Falls.	Rogers.
Dunn of Hopkins.	Rowell.
Durham.	Runge.
Enderby.	Sanford.
Farrar.	Simmons.
Faulk.	Sinks.
Fields.	Smith of Nueces.
Florence.	Smith of Travis.
Graves.	Smyth.
Gray.	Stell.
Hagaman.	Stevenson.
Hall.	Storey.
Jasper.	Taylor.
Johnson.	Westbrook.
Jones.	Wester.
Kittrell.	Wilson.
Loftin.	

Nays—40.

Acker.	Justice.
Alexander	Kayton.
of Bastrop.	King.
Baker of Panola.	Laird.
Barron.	Lane of Hamilton.
Bartlett.	McFarlane.
Bateman.	McGill.
Bedford.	Montgomery.
Brown.	Pavlica.
Cade.	Pearce.
Coody.	Powell.
Covey.	Shearer.
Dale.	Sheats.
DeBerry.	Sparks.
Finlay.	Stout.
Harman.	Tomme.
Harper.	Veatch.
Hollowell.	Wade.
Hoskins.	Walker.
Jacks.	Woodruff.
Jordan.	

Absent.

Albritton.	High.
Amsler.	Hull.
Avis.	Irwin.
Baker of Orange.	Kemble.
Barker.	Kenyon.
Bird.	Kinnear.
Blount.	Lane of Harrison.
Bobbitt.	Lipscomb.
Cummings.	Low.
Daniels.	Masterson.
Davis of Dallas.	Maxwell.
Dunlap.	McBride.
Foster.	McDonald.
Frnka.	McKean.

McNatt.	Stautzenberger.
Merritt.	Stevens.
Morris.	Strong.
Nicholson.	Teer.
Pool.	Thompson.
Pope.	Wallace.
Rawlins.	Webb.
Renfro.	Wells.
Rowland.	Williamson.
Simpson.	Young.

Mr. Fields moved to reconsider the vote by which the report was adopted and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT ON SENATE BILL NO. 174.

Mr. Wade, Chairman, submitted the following Conference Committee report on Senate bill No. 174:

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 17, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate, and Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sirs: We, your Conference Committee appointed to consider the differences between the two houses on

S. B. No. 174, A bill to be entitled "An Act making the people secure in their persons, houses, papers and possessions from all unlawful and unreasonable seizures or searches, etc., and declaring an emergency,"

Have met, and after full and free conference have agreed, and do hereby recommend, that the following (committee) substitute be adopted as the act of the two houses:

A BILL

To Be Entitled

An Act making the people secure in their persons, houses, papers and possessions, from all unlawful and unreasonable seizures or searches, making it unlawful for any person, or peace officer, or State ranger to search the private residence, actual place of habitation, place of business, person or possessions of any person without having first obtained a search warrant as required by law; providing for a penalty, and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. The people shall be secure in their persons, houses, papers and pos-

sessions from all unreasonable seizures or searches; and no warrant to search any place, or to seize any person or thing shall issue without describing them as near as may be, nor without probable cause, supported by oath or affirmation.

Sec. 2. It shall be unlawful for any person or peace officer, or State ranger, to search the private residence, actual place of habitation, place of business, person or personal possessions of any person, without having first obtained a search warrant as required by law.

Sec. 3. Any person violating any provision of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be punished by fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$500, or by confinement in the county jail not more than six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Sec. 4. The fact that the people are not secure in their persons, houses, papers and possessions from unlawful and unreasonable seizures and searches, creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity demanding the suspension of the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house, and such rule is hereby suspended, and that this act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

WIRTZ,
MILLER,
STRONG,
FAIRCHILD,
WOOD,

On the part of the Senate.

WADE,
FARRAR,
WILLIAMSON,
PETSCH,
FRNKA,

On the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. Wade, the report was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—59.

Acker.	Conway.
Alexander	Covey.
of Bastrop.	Cox of Lamar.
Alexander	DeBerry.
of Limestone.	Dielmann.
Barron.	Dinkle.
Bartlett.	Donnell.
Bean.	Farrar.
Bedford.	Florence.
Bobbitt.	Graves.
Brown.	Gray.
Cade.	Hall.
Chitwood.	Hollowell.

Hoskins.	Pope.
Irwin.	Purl.
Jacks.	Raymer.
Jasper.	Renfro.
Jones.	Rowell.
Kayton.	Runge.
Kittrell.	Sanford.
Laird.	Sinks.
Loftin.	Smyth.
Mankin.	Stevenson.
McDougald.	Stout.
McFarlane.	Strong.
McGill.	Wade.
Nicholson.	Wallace.
Pavlica.	Williamson.
Perdue.	Wilson.
Petsch.	Woodruff.
Poage.	

Nays—44.

Baker of Panola.	McKean.
Barker.	Montgomery.
Bateman.	Moore.
Boggs.	Parish.
Bryant.	Pearce.
Carter.	Rawlins.
Coffey.	Rice.
Coody.	Robinson.
Cox of Navarro.	Rogers.
Downs.	Shearer.
Dunn of Falls.	Sheats.
Enderby.	Simmons.
Faulk.	Smith of Nueces.
Finlay.	Smith of Travis.
Hagaman.	Sparks.
Harman.	Taylor.
Harper.	Teer.
Jordan.	Tomme.
Justice.	Veatch.
King.	Walker.
Lane of Hamilton.	Wells.
Maxwell.	Westbrook.

Present—Not Voting.

Stell.

Absent.

Albritton.	Hull.
Amsler.	Johnson.
Atkinson.	Kemble.
Avis.	Kenyon.
Baker of Orange.	Kinnear.
Bird.	Lane of Harrison.
Blount.	Lipscomb.
Bonham.	Low.
Cummings.	Masterson.
Dale.	McBride.
Daniels.	McDonald.
Davis of Dallas.	McNatt.
Davis of Wood.	Merritt.
Dunlap.	Morris.
Dunn of Hopkins.	Pool.
Durham.	Powell.
Fields.	Rowland.
Foster.	Simpson.
Frnka.	Stautzenberger.
High.	Stevens.

Storey.
Thompson.
Webb.

Wester.
Young.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT ON SENATE BILL NO. 35.

Mr. Faulk, Chairman, submitted the following Conference Committee report on Senate bill No. 35:

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 17, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate, and Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sirs: We, your Conference Committee appointed by your respective bodies to consider

S. B. No. 35, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 6901a of Chapter 1, Title 119, of the Revised Statutes of Texas of 1911, as enacted by Chapter 29 of the General Laws of the Fourth Called Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, and as amended by Chapter 98 of the General Laws, Regular Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, and as amended by Chapter 184 of the General Laws, Regular Session of the Thirty-eighth Legislature, being 'An Act to change the designated year upon which is based the assessed valuations of taxable properties affected by the act to be amended, and relating to the compensation of county commissioners; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith,' and declaring an emergency."

Have had said bill under consideration and beg leave to report that we have reached an agreement as to said bill. Said bill under the caption and body thereof as agreed to, follows:

S. B. No. 35.

A BILL

To Be Entitled

An Act to amend Chapter 184 of the Acts of the Thirty-eighth Legislature, being Senate bill No. 268; changing the year upon which is based the assessed valuation of taxable properties affected by the act to be amended; relating to the compensation of county commissioners, and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Article 6901a and Article 6901d of Chapter 1, Title 119, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the

State of Texas of 1911, as enacted by Chapter 29 of the General Laws of the Fourth Called Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, and as amended by Chapter 98 of the General Laws of the Regular Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, as amended by Chapter 184 of the General Laws of the Thirty-eighth Legislature, be, and the same are hereby amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

In counties having the following assessed valuations, respectively, the county commissioners of such counties may each receive the annual salaries herein specified, to be paid in equal monthly installments out of the general funds of the county:

Assessed Valuation	Salary
\$ 7,500,000 and less than \$ 10,000,000	\$1,200.
\$ 10,000,000 and less than \$ 12,500,000	1,500.
\$ 12,500,000 and less than \$ 20,750,000	1,800.
\$ 20,750,000 and less than \$ 25,000,000	2,000.
\$ 25,000,000 and less than \$ 30,000,000	2,250.
\$ 30,000,000 and less than \$100,000,000	2,400.
\$100,000,000 and over.....	3,600.

In counties having an assessed valuation of less than \$7,500,000 each county commissioner shall receive five dollars per day for each day served as commissioner, and when acting as ex-officio road superintendent in his precinct, not to exceed one thousand dollars in any year. In counties whose assessed valuation is \$100,000,000 or more, said commissioners shall devote their entire time to the duties required of them by law and such other duties as their commissioners court may require of them. "Assessed valuation" means the total assessed valuation of all properties as shown by the tax rolls certified by the county assessor, approved by the commissioners court and approved by the Comptroller for the year 1924.

Sec. 2. The fact that the county commissioners in a great many counties in this State are at present inadequately paid, thus hampering their efficiency as servants of their respective precincts, creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity demanding that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house of the Legislature be suspended, and said rule is hereby suspended, and this

act shall take effect from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

PARR,
LEWIS,
MOORE of Hunt,
TRIPLETT,

On the part of the Senate.

FAULK,
WADE,
WOODRUFF,
BARRON,
SMITH,

On the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. Faulk, the report was adopted.

HOUSE BILL NO. 689 WITH SENATE AMENDMENTS.

Mr. Wade called up from the Speaker's table, with Senate amendments, for consideration of the amendments,

H. B. No. 689, A bill to be entitled "An Act to make a supplementary appropriation out of the general revenue of the State of Texas, not otherwise appropriated, for the support and maintenance of the State ranger force, to be added to the appropriation as made by Senate bill No. 183, passed by the Regular Session of the Thirty-ninth Legislature, for the years beginning September 1, 1925, and ending August 31, 1927."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, and the Senate amendments were read.

On motion of Mr. Wade, the House concurred in the Senate amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 377 WITH SENATE AMENDMENTS.

Mr. Sparks called up from the Speaker's table, with Senate amendments, for consideration of the amendments,

H. B. No. 377, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the trustees of any common or independent school district of this State to pay off and discharge any bonded indebtedness or any part thereof now or hereafter to be owned by the State permanent school fund, outstanding against any such common or independent school district at any interest paying date; and authorizing the State Board of Education to permit the redemption of such bonds within their discretion; providing the mode and manner of such redemption, and declaring an emergency."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, and the Senate amendments were read.

On motion of Mr. Sparks, the House

concurred in the Senate amendments by the following vote:

Yeas—101.

Acker.	Justice.
Alexander	Kayton.
of Bastrop.	King.
Alexander	Kittrell.
of Limestone.	Mankin.
Avis.	McDougald.
Baker of Panola.	McFarlane.
Barker.	McGill.
Barron.	McKean.
Bartlett.	Montgomery.
Bateman.	Moore.
Bean.	Nicholson.
Bedford.	Parish.
Bobbitt.	Pavlica.
Boggs.	Pearce.
Brown.	Perdue.
Bryant.	Petsch.
Cade.	Poage.
Carter.	Pope.
Chitwood.	Powell.
Coffey.	Purl.
Conway.	Rawlins.
Covey.	Raymer.
Cox of Lamar.	Renfro.
Cox of Navarro.	Rice.
Davis of Dallas.	Rogers.
Davis of Wood.	Sanford.
DeBerry.	Shearer.
Dielmann.	Sheats.
Dinkle.	Simmons.
Donnell.	Sinks.
Dunn of Falls.	Smith of Nueces.
Enderby.	Smith of Travis.
Farrar.	Smyth.
Faulk.	Sparks.
Finlay.	Stell.
Florence.	Stevens.
Graves.	Stevenson.
Gray.	Stout.
Hagaman.	Strong.
Hall.	Taylor.
Harman.	Teer.
Harper.	Tomme.
Hollowell.	Veatch.
Hoskins.	Wallace.
Irwin.	Wells.
Jacks.	Westbrook.
Jasper.	Williamson.
Jones.	Wilson.
Jordan.	Woodruff.

Nays—2.

Coody.

Walker.

Absent.

Albritton.
Amsler.
Atkinson.
Baker of Orange.
Bird.
Blount.

Bonham.
Cummings.
Dale.
Daniels.
Downs.
Dunlap.

Dunn of Hopkins.	McBride.
Durham.	McDonald.
Fields.	McNatt.
Foster.	Merritt.
Frnka.	Morris.
High.	Pool.
Hull.	Robinson.
Johnson.	Rowell.
Kemble.	Rowland.
Kenyon.	Runge.
Kinnear.	Simpson.
Laird.	Stautzenberger.
Lane of Hamilton.	Storey.
Lane of Harrison.	Thompson.
Lipscomb.	Wade.
Loftin.	Webb.
Low.	Wester.
Masterson.	Young.
Maxwell.	

(Mr. Hall in the chair.)

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO SELECT STATE SONG.

The Speaker laid before the House, for consideration at this time, the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas, March 18, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, Lieutenant Governor,
and Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of
the House of Representatives.

Sirs: We, your joint committee of the House and Senate appointed by the Lieutenant Governor and the Speaker of the House, in accordance with joint resolution, to pass upon and make recommendations regarding the adoption of the State song, have had this matter under consideration for some time, and beg to submit the following report:

We have had two public hearings at which numerous songs were submitted and rendered. We wish to state that each and every song submitted won the praise and approval of the committee, and we wish to commend each of the authors of the songs submitted for their patriotic work in assisting Texas in procuring the State song. Many of these songs possess exceptional merit, but the committee, not being composed of experienced musicians, has been unable to agree as to any one song, but has agreed on the selection of what the committee considers the six best songs, and we recommend that these songs be sung and used by the people of Texas until the next session of the Legislature so that the people may be able to form an opinion as to which song should be adopted.

The songs that are considered the six

best, in the opinion of the committee, are as follows:

"Texas, Our Texas," by Gladys Jackson Wright and Wm. J. Marsh of Fort Worth.

"Shine on Forever," by Rudolph Kleberg, formerly of Austin.

"Texas, the Lone Star State," by Lula Sutton Williams of Fort Worth.

"Texas," by Mrs. Aline Michaelis and Mrs. Lena Milam of Austin.

"All Hail to Texas," by Randolph Haynes of Austin.

"Texas Triumphant," by Mrs. Robt. G. Crosby of Austin.

We recommend that one song out of the above six be selected at the following session of this Legislature.

GARNER,
PARR,
STUART,
Senate Committee.
DUNN,
BROWN,
TEER,
House Committee.

On motion of Mr. Dunn of Hopkins, the report was adopted.

PRESENTATIONS TO SPEAKER SATTERWHITE.

Mr. Wallace, on behalf of the members of the House, presented Speaker Satterwhite with a brief case.

Mr. Jacks, on behalf of the pages of the House, presented Speaker Satterwhite with a gold pencil and pen.

Mr. Bobbitt, on behalf of the stenographers of the House, presented Speaker Satterwhite with a sterling silver flower vase.

Mr. Carl Phinney, on behalf of the officers and clerks of the House, presented Speaker Satterwhite with a Gladstone bag.

Mr. Williamson, on behalf of the members of the House, presented Speaker Satterwhite with a gold watch and chain.

Speaker Satterwhite then thanked the donors for the gifts.

PRESENTATION TO SERGEANT-AT-ARMS.

Mr. Sanford, on behalf of the porters of the House, presented Joe White, Sergeant-at-Arms, with a traveling bag.

THANKING MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE.

Mr. Frnka thanked the members of the House for adopting his daughter,

Margaret, as Mascot of the House of Representatives of the Thirty-ninth Legislature.

THANKING NEWSPAPER MEN.

Mr. Purl moved that the House, by a rising vote, extend its thanks to the press reporters for their fair, thorough and efficient service to the members of the House.

The motion prevailed unanimously.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

Mr. Teer, chairman, submitted the following reports:

Austin, Texas, March 18, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Dear Sir: On February 7, 1925, a resolution was passed by this House authorizing an investigation of the Highway Department of Texas, setting out that there were persistent rumors, reports and statements alleging waste, mismanagement, favoritism between road contractors and the Highway Commission, and the general inefficiency of the State Highway Department.

After the passage of said resolution you appointed five members of the House to conduct that investigation, and we beg leave to submit herewith the report of our findings on the above charges, along with the testimony that was given before this committee.

We beg to state that the committee met on February 17th, organized and summoned to appear before it some thirty-five or forty witnesses and interrogated them in regard to certain contracts that were let by the various counties of the State, with consent of the State Highway Commission, and approval of the State Highway Engineer. The contracts that we investigated were let in the following counties: Hill, Ellis, Madison, Palo Pinto, Bowie, Washington, Grayson and Jefferson, and according to the testimony that was given before this committee, we failed to find any irregularities, waste, mismanagement or favoritism towards any contractor or contractors.

We also interrogated the State Highway Commission and the State Highway Engineer in regard to certain equipment which was leased by the counties from the State Highway Department and from the testimony submitted, it appeared that all such equipment which

was furnished the State Highway Department by the Federal Bureau of Public Roads, was legally leased to the various counties and cities of this State.

The Hill county road contract which was investigated revealed that the contract specified that the road should have an average thickness of six inches and the compressive strength should have been, according to the contract, thirty-five hundred pounds to the square inch. From the testimony given before this committee, it showed that the thickness was five and nine-tenths inches, as given by the county engineer of Hill county, and the compressive strength, according to the testimony was from sixty-three to sixty-eight hundred pounds to the square inch. From the testimony of experts, who testified as to whether the State and county received their money's worth in this road, it showed that the State and county did actually get a better road than the contract called for, notwithstanding the fact that the testimony showed there was a slight thinness in the concrete slab from what the contract called for.

The testimony further showed that in these counties where the reports suggested that there were irregularities, allow us to say that the citizens committee, county officials and county engineers testified that they had gotten value received, and were satisfied with the road contracts, and the construction of the roads in their various counties.

We, your committee, beg leave to report that the testimony showed that the State Highway Department has, since its existence, been as well managed as any department of this State, and that there is the same degree of efficiency displayed in the discharge of the duties and functions of the State Highway Department as there is in any other State department. Taking into consideration that this department has expended, or had under its direction the expenditure of something like fifty million dollars, and is a department which is necessarily highly technical, and, one that involves the department in many controversies because of the very nature of its work, disappointing many contractors and people who desire to have roads designated and constructed in their localities, according to their local desires, which brings criticism and disagreement with this department.

The testimony showed further that the State Highway Commission and the State Highway Engineer were diligent, efficient, painstaking and honorable in

the conduct and administration of all the affairs of the department.

TEER,
WILLIAMSON,
LANE of Harrison.

Mr. Smith of Travis submitted the following minority report:

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Thirty-ninth Legislature:

The House Journal of February 7, 1925, page 465, contains a resolution requiring an investigation of the State Highway Commission. In said resolution the following allegations are made:

"1. That there are irregularities in the office of the Highway Commission of Texas.

"2. That there has been discrimination in favor of a certain contractor and against other contractors in the matter of road building in Texas.

"3. That the department is top-heavy with useless expense and inefficiency, and makes no attempt to practice economy.

"4. That many contracts to build roads in Texas have been let under peculiar circumstances."

The testimony shows the following:

In the matter of the Hill county road project, we refer to the testimony of Mr. Gibb Gilchrist, the highest salaried official in the employ of the State of Texas, also to Mr. Van London and to Mr. Hale, engineers of the Highway Department, and Mr. Brodnax, of Smith Brothers, and to the testimony of others submitted in the case of the construction of the Hill county road.

The evidence shows there was undue haste on the part of the Highway Engineer and the retiring commissioners to furnish full payment to the contractor of this road, who was Julian C. Fields & Company, a subsidiary of Smith Brothers. Even before it was completed, notwithstanding the fact that there was evidence in the possession of the Commission and the Highway Engineer that there were deficiencies in the road amounting to at least one-half to one-fourth inches less in thickness than the specifications called for over a considerable distance of this road. Also that some of the concrete laid had been damaged by freezing. The inconsistency of this is so evident that it hardly needs comment. The thin places of the road would undoubtedly break under heavy traffic, and the contract was let at a good price to give the road a six-inch minimum thickness for its entire distance, as per contract.

An astonishing matter in the settlement with the contractor, one of the interested parties with Julian C. Fields & Company, who constructed the road, swore that there were deficiencies in the construction, and when asked why he voluntarily returned to the State Treasurer \$17,295 he swore he thought it was the best way out, as he knew the road was not up to the specifications. It is hardly necessary to make the suggestion that as a matter of good business for individuals, much less for the people of the State of Texas, the usual custom of retaining ten per cent of the contract price of this road should have been held until the road was at least completed and a full settlement made, according to contract.

From the evidence, it appears that the contracts let in Hill, Angelina, Houston, Frio, Jefferson, Bowie and Washington counties, aggregating approximately \$3,000,000, and awarded to Smith Brothers, or their allied interests, at a higher bid than other responsible contractors who also bid on these projects. In some of these cases the amount was higher than the low bids, and this run as high as \$100,000 or more.

From all the evidence, we are unable to find where any other contractor in the State of Texas procured a contract at a higher price than Smith Brothers on the same project and at the same bidding, though there is abundance of evidence showing Smith Brothers were frequently awarded contracts over the responsible competitors whose bids were lower.

These cases certainly show favoritism on the part of the Highway Commission for Smith Brothers, as well as irregularities in the office, and discrimination between contractors and the Highway Commission.

Particular attention is directed to the Jefferson county project, especially to the significant telegram in connection therewith signed by the State Highway Engineer and addressed to the Chief of Bureau, Washington, D. C. It was sent before any Federal aid was granted on this project, and the telegram reads as follows:

"Commission feels morally bound approve Smith contract project three twelve. We earnestly desire Federal cooperation but we must comply with State laws and will proceed without Federal aid in case Smith Brothers can not be approved by Bureau stop Request approval Smith contract."

The astonishing feature of this is that the Federal aid in this project amounted

to \$232,950 and the State Highway Commission informed the Federal Bureau that it would proceed without this Federal aid if the Bureau would not give Federal aid on the Smith Brothers contract, showing a determination on the part of the Highway Engineer to see that Smith Brothers' contract was carried out.

It appears that in some of these counties that the matter of throwing out bids and calling for new bids, where Smith Brothers and other contractors were bidding, that in every instance, in the second bidding, Smith Brothers usually got the contract. Also the evidence shows a very close business relation with one of the Highway Commissioners, Mr. D. K. Martin, in business transactions between the two. Mr. Martin seems to be in the real estate and insurance business in the little town of Itasca, Hill county. His own evidence shows that he carries \$200,000 life insurance on Jim Smith, of Smith Brothers, and various amounts on other members of this organization. The evidence also shows that Mr. Martin procured \$11,500 as commission on a land deal in San Antonio, made through him for the Smith organization.

There were a species of graft shown by the testimony in the Highway Department that was reprehensible for this reason: the taxpayers were paying two stenographers who were supposed to give their entire time to highway work, but the facts show that very little of their time was given to the highway work but was given to getting out the Texas Highway Bulletin, a monthly publication. The State furnished office space and equipment, and, in fact, everything, including the salaries of the two employees who get the Bulletin out, and the evidence shows that there were about one or two hundred paid subscribers and its receipts from advertisements, such as contractors, material and supply houses, run from eight hundred to nine hundred dollars per month, but not one dollar of this money was deposited in the State Treasury. In our opinion, this Bulletin served as a means of coercion among advertisers, practically all of whom have favors to ask of the Highway Department, and the publication was operated purely for private gain, at the taxpayers' expense.

The evidence and facts also show that there has been much inefficiency, which is at all times expensive when attempted to be applied where efficiency is needed, in the engineering department of the Highway Commission. Also the em-

ployes were more than, in our opinion, were necessary, and the purchase of road materials has been extravagant and, in some instances, unwarranted.

We submit these facts for the consideration of the Legislature, and offer the following recommendations:

Recommendations.

First. We recommend that this Thirty-ninth Legislature go on record as advocating that in all transactions between the State Highway Commission, also the State Highway Engineer, the interests of the State of Texas be amply protected at all times, and that the proper precautions, as are at all times exercised by individuals and companies in the daily commercial life, be adopted by this Commission.

Second. That the proper arrangements for auditing all accounts of receipts and disbursements of the State Highway Commission be made.

Third. That every effort be made to discourage in the future any private transaction between members of this Commission and those who seek contracts at their hands or the approval of contracts.

Fourth. That on all future contracts for road building, purchase of material of any description, that the practice of competitive bidding be used in order to do away with any chances of favoritism being shown in the awarding of contracts.

Fifth. We recommend that all publications of departments be stopped as they are used, in the main, to scatter propaganda and for political purposes.

Respectfully submitted on this the 19th day of March, A. D. 1925.

SMITH of Travis,
JACKS.

(Speaker in the chair.)

BILL SIGNED BY THE SPEAKER.

The Speaker signed, in the presence of the House, after giving due notice thereof, and its caption had been read, the following enrolled bill:

S. B. No. 466, "An Act making an appropriation to pay salaries and per diem of members, officers and employes of the Thirty-ninth Legislature."

HOUSE BILL NO. 643 WITH SENATE AMENDMENTS.

Mr. Jones called up from the Speaker's table, with Senate amendments, for consideration of the amendments,

H. B. No. 643, A bill to be entitled

"An Act to create Calliham Independent School District in Live Oak and McMullen counties, Texas, including therein the present Calliham School District No. 3 of the said counties."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, and the Senate amendments were read.

On motion of Mr. Jones, the House concurred in the Senate amendments.

HOUSE BILL NO. 615 WITH SENATE AMENDMENTS.

Mr. Westbrook called up from the Speaker's table, with Senate amendments, for consideration of the amendments,

H. B. No. 615, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the St. Paul Independent School District, situated in San Patricio county, Texas."

The Speaker laid the bill before the House, and the Senate amendments were read.

On motion of Mr. Westbrook, the House concurred in the Senate amendments.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has adopted the Free Conference Committee report on Senate bill No. 438 by vote of 27 yeas, 0 nays.

The Senate has agreed to concur in House amendments to Senate bill No. 407 by vote of 27 yeas, 0 nays.

The Senate has agreed to concur in House amendments to Senate bills Nos. 349 and 364.

The Senate has agreed to concur in House amendments to Senate bill No. 236 by vote of 29 yeas, 0 nays.

The Senate has agreed to concur in House amendments to Senate bill No. 98 by vote of 28 yeas, 1 nay.

The Senate has adopted Free Conference Committee report on Senate bill No. 35.

The Senate has passed

H. B. No. 687, A bill to be entitled "An Act making an appropriation of the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), or so much thereof as may be necessary, out of the general revenue of the State of Texas, to pay the contingent expense of the Regular Session of the Thirty-ninth Legislature of the State of Texas;

providing how accounts may be approved, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully,

MORRIS C. HANKINS,

Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

RECALLING SENATE BILL NO. 75 FROM SENATE.

On motion of Mr. Harman, Senate bill No. 75 was recalled from the Senate for further consideration.

RECESS.

On motion of Mr. Gray, the House at 12 o'clock m. took recess to 2 o'clock p. m. today.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met at 2 o'clock p. m. and was called to order by the Speaker.

TENDERING USE OF THE HALL TO BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS.

Mr. Raymer offered the following resolution:

Whereas, The Board of Medical Examiners meet yearly for the purpose of examining applicants for medical licenses; and

Whereas, Such examination is a State function under the auspices of the State government; therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Thirty-ninth Legislature, That the State Board of Medical Examiners be given the use of this Hall on June 23, 24 and 25, 1925, and such days in November, 1925, as they shall designate for the purpose of carrying on their State examination; provided, however, that none of these dates shall be in conflict with the meetings of this House which might be in session.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

PROVIDING FOR CERTAIN STATE EMPLOYEES.

Mr. Lane of Harrison offered the following resolution:

H. C. R. No. 61, Providing for certain State employes.

Whereas, The Hall of the House of Representatives and the Senate Chamber should be kept open from 8 o'clock a. m. until 5 o'clock p. m. each week day in order that visitors may have the opportunity of visiting the Hall and

Chamber when in the city of Austin; and

Whereas, The furniture and property of the Senate Chamber and the Hall of Representatives and the various committee rooms should be under protection during these hours and kept clean and in order; and

Whereas, No such employes are provided as a part of the regular force of the employes of the Capitol; therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, That the Lieutenant Governor and the Speaker of the House be authorized to select two responsible persons to look after the Senate Chamber and the Hall of Representatives and the adjoining rooms used by the two houses between the sessions of the Thirty-ninth Legislature, which persons shall be under the supervision of the Board of Control and shall receive for their services three dollars per day, to be paid out of the contingent fund of the Senate and House of the Regular Session, a warrant to be issued upon approval of the chairman of the Board of Control and to be paid the first day of each month; and be it further

Resolved, That the Lieutenant Governor and the Speaker of the House be authorized to designate a porter to take care of the Senate Chamber and the Hall of the House of Representatives and the adjoining rooms used by the two houses and the quarters of the Lieutenant Governor and the Speaker of the House, and said porter shall work under the direction of the Board of Control, but shall do work other than that required for the proper care and attention of the two houses and shall receive as compensation the same salary as is now received by the head porter of the Senate, to be paid out of the per diem appropriation and contingent expense fund of the Thirty-ninth Legislature, a warrant to be issued upon approval of the chairman of the Board of Control and to be paid the first day of each month.

Signed—Maxwell, Robinson, Rogers, Dinkle, Downs, Atkinson, Florence, Kirtrell, Harman, Brown, Poage, Tomme, Lane of Hamilton, Sinks, Raymer, Acker, Young, Cox of Navarro, Justice, Coody, Pavlica, Strong, Frnka, Hall, McFarlane, Smith of Travis, Johnson, Alexander, Covey.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

ACCEPTING BLOCK PICTURE.

Mr. Strong offered the following resolution:

Whereas, The group block picture of the members, officers and employes of the Thirty-ninth Legislature is now finished and hung in the Hall, as agreed with the Elliotts, official photographer; therefore, be it

Resolved, That said block group picture is now in all things accepted by the House of Representatives of the Thirty-ninth Legislature as the official picture of said House.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

PROVIDING FOR KEEPING RECORD OF PARDONS ISSUED BY GOVERNOR.

Mr. Purl offered the following resolution:

Whereas, Article IV, Section 21, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, provides that it shall be the duty of the Secretary of State to keep "a fair register of all the official acts of the Governor and shali, when required lay the same and all papers, minutes and vouchers thereto before the Legislature or either house; and

Whereas, The records pertaining to pardons granted by the Governor to convicts are kept in the same book with many other official acts of the Governor and same are not indexed, and therefore it is impossible to ascertain information of a public nature except with great loss of time and expense; and

Whereas, The Chief Clerk in the Secretary of State's office states that with the great volume of work in that office and with the present number of employes it is impossible to classify the number of paroles pardoned—restoration of citizenship—remittance of bond forfeitures—remittance of fines, etc.; and

Whereas, It is the sense of this body that the pardons issued by the Governor are of sufficient importance to the people of Texas that will warrant a more systematic record being kept in the Secretary of State's office; therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Thirty-ninth Legislature, That we earnestly request the Secretary of State to rearrange the office detail to the end that a record of all pardons granted by the Governor of the State of Texas be kept in a separate book in

alphabetical order and same be available to any citizen of this State for examination so long as record is not taken from the said office.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

EXTENDING THANKS TO HON. EUGENE BLOUNT.

Mr. Jacks offered the following resolution:

Whereas, The Honorable Eugene Blount, chairman of the Appropriation Committee of the House of Representatives, has by his untiring and zealous work made possible the completion of the work of the House of Representatives during the Regular Session, something which has not been accomplished in many years, and has saved the State of Texas the cost of probably one or more special sessions of the Legislature by his efforts; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives does hereby extend its thanks and commendation to him for the work so done in appreciation of his efforts.

Signed—Jacks, Cade, Webb, Baker of Panola, Woodruff, Stout, Pope, Faulk, Farrar, Dunn of Falls, Rawlins, Sparks, Farrar, Smith of Nueces, Cox of Lamar, Cox of Navarro.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

EXTENDING THANKS TO TELE- GRAPH AND TELEPHONE COMPANIES.

Mr. Smith of Travis offered the following resolution:

Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Texas, That the thanks of the House of Representatives of the State of Texas for session of 1925 is hereby extended to the Western Union Telegraph Company and the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company for courtesies and efficient services extended members by their local representatives at Austin; that a copy of this resolution prepared by the Chief Clerk of the House and signed by the Speaker be forwarded to the general manager of the Western Union Telegraph Company, Dallas, and vice-president of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, Dallas.

Signed—Smith of Travis, Rowland, Kemble, Low, Cummings, Raymer, Foster, Runge, Rawlins, Wells, Baker of Orange.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

(Mr. Dunn of Falls in the chair.)

RELATING TO SALE OF CERTAIN STATE PROPERTY.

The Speaker laid before the House, and had read, the following report:

Austin, Texas, March 17, 1925.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate, and Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Gentlemen: Pursuant to the substance and authority conferred by Senate concurrent resolution No. 11, relating to sale of State property, we, your committee, have completed our work as far as we, during this session of the Legislature, will be able, and beg leave to submit the following report; Mr. Parnell, chairman, signing in behalf of the Senate, and Mr. Bobbitt, vice-chairman, signing in behalf of the House.

Your committee has found that the sale and transfer of all properties and equipment composing the quarantine system of Texas to the United States government, all as provided and directed through Chapter 34 of the General Laws of the Regular Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature of the State of Texas, known as House bill No. 27, remains in suspense, because of a ruling of the Comptroller General of the United States to the effect that a certain sum of \$90,071 appropriated by the United States government for the purchase of said property, being appropriated for the purpose of purchasing such properties as were specifically itemized in a certain inventory submitted by a joint commission of State and United States, could not be expended except in whole and for the property specifically itemized in said inventory, notwithstanding the fact that it has been established that the inventory of properties was in error in that the State can not establish ownership of the lands upon which quarantine station equipment is located at Galveston, Point Isabel and Laredo.

Your committee, acting in conjunction with the committee empowered to make the sale and transfer, as appointed in connection with House bill No. 27 of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, in an effort to consummate the sale and delivery, has submitted a proposition to the Surgeon-General, United States Public Health Service, proposing sale and delivery to the United States government of all quarantine properties listed in the heretofore mentioned inventory, exclusive of the lands upon which the quarantine equipment rests at Galveston, Point Isabel and Laredo, for a sum less the amounts for which these lands were

valued, as inventoried in the erroneous inventory heretofore referred to proposing the sale and transfer of the whole quarantine property owned by the State of Texas for a sum of \$83,671.

Your committee recommends and urges that the commission consisting of the Governor, Attorney General and State Health Officer follow this matter up, completing the sale and delivery at the earliest date possible; since as the State is making no annual provision for the repairing and maintenance of the equipment and the United States government claims they can not repair or maintain the equipment until there is a bona fide sale and transfer, the situation at some of the ports and some of the border points is becoming very serious, contiguous sections of the country being in immediate danger, and the whole State while less threatened, yet in material danger in case an epidemic of some contagious or infectious disease were to invade some of these ports of entry. At present the facilities are wholly inadequate to properly safeguard this State against the entry of infectious and contagious diseases, the work in making quarantine effective is very greatly hindered, and the situation will continue to grow worse until the sale and transfer of the quarantine properties has been consummated.

PARNELL, Chairman,
BOBBITT, Vice-Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Nicholson, the report was accepted and the committee was discharged.

COMMITTEE TO ATTEND FUNERAL OF HON. CHAS. A. CULBERSON.

On motion of Mr. Irwin, the Speaker was instructed to appoint a committee of five to attend the funeral services of Hon. Chas. A. Culberson.

PROVIDING FOR POST-SESSION WORK.

Mr. Davis of Dallas offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk be retained for ten days after sine die adjournment for the purpose of collecting and arranging all bills, resolutions and petitions in his possession, and delivering the same, after proper classification to the Secretary of State, and to complete duties imposed upon him by resolutions heretofore adopted, and a stenographer two days to assist him. That the Calendar Clerk be retained for two days for the purpose of completing her rec-

ords and delivering to the Chief Clerk all bills, resolutions, etc., in her possession. That the clerk to the Committee on Contingent Expense be retained two days after sine die adjournment for the purpose of closing up and posting expense accounts; and be it further

Resolved, That the Sergeant-at-Arms be retained eight days, and the book-keeper to the Sergeant-at-Arms for ten days, and a stenographer to assist them for one day; and that the clerk to the Sergeant-at-Arms be retained for two days after sine die adjournment, and they shall be charged with the duty of arranging for publication in the Journal of such stationery and supply accounts as are now required to be published, or which have been ordered published by the House; also the expense account for the stationery and supplies for each member or employe of the Regular Session. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall collect all supplies and stationery left over and remaining, which shall be locked in the Sergeant-at-Arms' room for use in extra session, and he shall collect and deliver all furniture now in possession of the House to the Superintendent of Public Buildings and Grounds, taking a receipt for all such items, and an inventory of all such items shall be printed in the permanent Journal. That the Engraving Clerk and the Enrolling Clerk be retained one day for the purpose of properly indexing and filing with the Secretary of State all bills and resolutions in their departments.

That the Warrant Clerk be retained two days for the purpose of completing the posting of her books, and that the mailing clerk be allowed three days for the purpose of mailing out House Journals not received from the printer until after sine die adjournment. That the voting machine operator be retained for two days for the purpose of cleaning up the voting machine. That the stenographer to the Speaker be retained two days to assist him in attending to the correspondence of his office, and that the stenographer to the Joint Penitentiary Investigating Committee be retained one day to assist the chairman in winding up the investigation.

That the Sergeant-at-Arms may retain three porters for three days and two porters for two days.

It is further provided, however, that vouchers to cover the post-session work of the above mentioned officers and employes shall not be issued until the persons entitled to receive same shall certify to the Speaker under oath that they

remained in Austin and actually put in at the work assigned to them, the number of days for which pay is issued.

That two hundred and fifty copies of the House Journal of the Regular Session of the Thirty-ninth Legislature, when completed, shall be printed and shall be bound in full law sheep, and that one volume, when thus bound shall be forwarded by the Journal Clerk of the House to each member of the House of Representatives, to each elective officer of the House, and to each Senator, and the remaining shall be turned over to the Secretary of State.

The printing of such House Journals in permanent form shall be done in accordance with pre-existing laws and with the provisions of this resolution, under the supervision of the Journal Clerk of the House. And it is further provided, that the Journals herein provided for shall be delivered to the Journal Clerk of the House within sixty days after the last copy shall have been furnished to the printing contractor; and it is further provided, that the contractor shall furnish daily to the Journal Clerk of the House, for the purpose of correcting and indexing, three proofs of forty-eight pages of the House Journal as such pages will appear when finally printed. Such proofs to be furnished within one day after the copy of such batch of forty-eight pages shall have been furnished by the Journal Clerk to the contractor; and it is further provided, that it shall be the duty of the Journal Clerk of the House of Representatives not to receive or receipt for said House Journals until correctly published as required herein, and by pre-existing law, provided that the Journal Clerk shall be empowered to leave out of the permanent Journal all bills which have been printed in the daily Journal.

When said Journals have been published and the account approved by the State Printing Board, the same shall be paid out of the contingent expense fund of the Thirty-ninth Legislature that is available, providing that the Chairman of the Committee on Contingent Expenses shall not issue voucher for said amount until the Journal Clerk has certified to him that the Journals have been published and delivered in accordance with the provisions of this resolution.

The Journal Clerk and his assistant shall be retained for not more than sixty-five days after sine die adjournment for the purpose of correcting and

indexing, and the supervision of the publication of the Journal of the House of Representatives of the Regular Session of the Thirty-ninth Legislature.

That the Secretary to the Speaker be allowed fifteen days after sine die adjournment for the purpose of preparing copy and annotating the Legislative Manual.

That each employe so retained shall receive the same amount of salary as received for like work during this session, to be paid out of any sum appropriated for mileage and per diem of the members and officers and employes of the Regular Session of the Thirty-ninth Legislature, the amount to be paid by warrants to be signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

THANKING AUSTIN BANKS.

Mr. Robinson offered the following resolution:

Whereas, The various banks of the city of Austin have shown extraordinary kindness and courtesy to the members of the Thirty-ninth Legislature by cashing State warrants at par value when the State Treasury was on a deficiency basis; and

Whereas, The members of the Thirty-ninth Legislature appreciate this kindness and courtesy extended by the Austin banks; therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Thirty-ninth Legislature, That a letter be prepared by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives and forwarded to each of the Austin banks, thanking them for this courtesy.

Signed—Robinson, Jones, McDougald.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

RELATING TO PRISON COMMISSION.

The Speaker laid before the House, for consideration at this time, the following resolution:

S. C. R. No. 40, Relating to Fort Bend Cotton Oil Company.

Whereas, Heretofore the Prison Commission purchased from the Fort Bend Cotton Oil Company a certain cotton mill in Fort Bend county, Texas, and executed in part payment therefor its promissory notes aggregating \$93,750; and

Whereas, Afterwards a committee from the Thirty-seventh Legislature investigated said purchase and adopted a

resolution declaring that, in the judgment of the committee, the Prison Commission was without authority to make said purchase or to execute said notes; and

Whereas, The Houston National Exchange Bank brought suit on said notes and the question of the right of the Prison Commission was litigated in the courts, and the Supreme Court of the State of Texas declared that said Prison Commission would have the right to execute said notes; and

Whereas, Said notes and interest now amount to approximately \$144,000, and the Houston National Exchange Bank, the owner thereof, has agreed to take in compromise and settlement of its claim the note of the Prison Commission for \$40,000, dated of even date herewith and drawing interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum and payable on the 1st day of January, 1926, and accept the reconveyance of said property and said note in full settlement of its claim; and

Whereas, It is the opinion of the Legislature that said settlement is beneficial to the State of Texas and the Prison Commission; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of Texas, the House concurring, That the Prison Commission be and it is hereby authorized and directed to accept said settlement and to release said property to the Houston National Exchange Bank and to execute its note to the Houston National Exchange Bank for the sum of \$40,000, payable as above stipulated, upon the surrender to the Prison Commission of the notes heretofore executed by the Prison Commission and payable to the Fort Bend Cotton Oil Company, and that said note, when so executed is declared to be a valid and binding obligation on the Prison Commission of Texas, and it is hereby directed to pay said note at maturity out of any funds it may then or thereafter have on hand available for said purpose.

The resolution was read second time.

On motion of Mr. Wells, the resolution was laid on the table subject to call.

RELATING TO COMPILING SESSION ACTS.

Mr. Davis of Dallas offered the following resolution:

Whereas, It is necessary to have the laws of this session of the Thirty-ninth Legislature compiled and proof-read before being turned over to the printer; and

Whereas, The Secretary of State has

not sufficient force to handle this work expeditiously; and

Whereas, The Speaker of the House, by reason of his work as a newspaper editor and his experience in the Legislature, is especially well-equipped for this character of work; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Speaker of the House be directed to compile and proof-read said laws and that he be authorized to select a copyholder to assist him, and that the sum of ten (\$10) dollars per day be allowed for this work, this to be the total compensation of the Speaker and his assistant, for such number of days as are actually necessary to complete said work, voucher to be issued to the Speaker in the usual manner, and payable out of any unexpended balance to the credit of the mileage and per diem fund of the Regular Session of the Thirty-ninth Legislature.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

RELATING TO INVESTIGATING COMPTROLLER'S ACCOUNTS.

Mr. Fields offered the following resolution:

Whereas, In pursuance of custom and as provided by Rules of the House, a Committee on Examination of Comptroller's and Treasurer's Accounts was appointed by the Speaker of the House of the Thirty-ninth Legislature; and

Whereas, Having completed their assignment, said committee in submitting their report to the House recommends that the House authorize the Speaker to appoint a committee of three of its members, empowering that committee to employ a competent certified public accountant and provide for the use of the committee a sufficient appropriation to carry on the following work:

1. Make such exhaustive investigation into the whole work of each department, commission, bureau, institution and penitentiary of the State as necessary to inform themselves thoroughly and in detail about all parts of the work of said subdivision of State.

2. Determine from the information as developed what added organization and facilities will be required by the Board of Control to carry on the auditing and investigation work outlined in said report made by said standing committee on Examination of Comptroller's and Treasurer's Accounts.

3. Prepare for submission to the Regular Session of the Fortieth Legislature, or to any Called Session of the Thirty-ninth Legislature, such bills and resolutions as are necessary to provide

for authorization, working forces and facilities for the Board of Control as needed to carry out the work outlined in said report made by said standing committee on Examination of Comptroller's and Treasurer's Accounts, and to make any and all other provisions within the power of the Legislature for carrying out the general program outlined in the above referred to report.

Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Speaker of the House be authorized to appoint said committee of three members for the purposes outlined; and be it further

Resolved, That an amount of \$2000 be appropriated from the contingent expense fund of the House, so much thereof to be used as required, to pay for the services of said certified public accountant and to allow to each House member of the committee their actual traveling expenses and a per diem of \$5 each for each day engaged in the work for which appointed.

The resolution was read second time.

On motion of Mr. Graves, the resolution was tabled.

RELATING TO AVAILABLE SCHOOL FUND.

Mr. Laird offered the following resolution:

Whereas, This House has gone on record as favoring an apportionment of fifteen dollars per capita for the common schools of Texas; and

Whereas, In furtherance of that policy this House has passed and sent to the Senate a bill appropriating four million dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to make fifteen dollars per capita for the common schools of Texas; and

Whereas, If such an appropriation is not made there will only be about thirteen dollars per capita for the next two years, thereby working a hardship on the one million four hundred thousand school children of Texas; and

Whereas, A minority of the Senate of Texas has in the closing days of this session strangled this bill to death; and

Whereas, It would be manifestly unfair for this Legislature to appropriate over fourteen million dollars for the higher institutions of this State and not to appropriate sufficient money for the common schools; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Texas, That we respectfully request the Governor of Texas to call a special session of the Legislature at some time in the near future for the purpose of appropriating sufficient

money to make fifteen dollars per capita for every child in the common schools of Texas.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

Mr. Laird moved to reconsider the vote by which the resolution was adopted, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

COMMITTEE TO ATTEND FUNERAL OF HON. CHAS. A. CULBERSON.

The Speaker appointed the following committee from the House to attend the funeral services of former Senator Chas. A. Culberson:

Messrs. Kittrell, Sinks, Fields, Baker of Panola and Johnson.

COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE TAX MATTERS.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following committee in compliance with House resolution providing for investigation of tax matters and report to the next session of the Legislature their recommendations:

Messrs. Stephenson, Hall, Blount, Chitwood and Storey.

PRESENTATION TO SUPERINTENDENT OF THE HALL.

Mr. Westbrook, on behalf of the porters, presented J. H. Dalvey, Superintendent of the Hall, with a box of cigars.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has agreed to concur in House amendments to Senate joint resolution No. 10.

The Senate has passed:

H. C. R. No. 61, Relating to post-session work.

H. C. R. No. 19, Relating to work of the Prison Investigating Committee, with amendment.

Respectfully,
MORRIS C. HANKINS,

Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

RELATING TO HOUSE BILL NO. 111.

Mr. Stout offered the following resolution:

Whereas, The session is about to close and there is still one beneficent piece of legislation left on the calendar; therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That all rules be suspended and that House bill No. 111, the same being Senator Cooke's bill, be called up for final passage.

Signed—Stout, Rawlins, Tomme, Foster, Teer, Runge, Harper, Stevens, Purl.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

ADDRESS BY HON. E. A. BERRY.

Mr. Bobbitt offered the following resolution:

Whereas, The Hon. E. A. Berry of Houston, the chairman of the Texas Democratic Executive Committee, is now in the bar of the House; be it

Resolved, That he be requested to address his "Democratic boys."

Signed—Bobbitt, Foster.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

In accordance with the above action, the Speaker announced the appointment of the following committee to escort Hon. E. A. Berry to the Speaker's stand: Messrs. Shearer, Bobbitt and Hall.

The committee having performed their duty, Speaker Satterwhite presented Hon. R. E. Bobbitt, who in turn introduced Hon. E. A. Berry.

Hon. E. A. Berry then addressed the House.

EXPRESSING APPRECIATION TO CITIZENS OF AUSTIN.

Mr. Durham offered the following resolution:

Whereas, The citizens of Austin have at all times and under all circumstances shown to the members of the Thirty-ninth Legislature every courtesy, kindness and consideration, and have made our stay in the Capital City pleasant and agreeable; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we, the members of the House of Representatives of the Thirty-ninth Legislature, do hereby express our profound thanks and appreciation to the good people of Austin for the uniform courtesy and kindness they have extended to us and we will carry to our homes pleasant memories of our stay among them during this session of this Legislature.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

ADDRESS BY HON. I. W. CULP.

Mr. Poage offered the following resolution:

Whereas, The Hon. I. W. Culp of Temple, a distinguished former member of this House, is now within the bar of this House; therefore, be it

Resolved, That he be and he is hereby invited to address the House at this time.

Signed—Poage, Bartlett, Irwin, Purl, McDougald.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

In accordance with the above action, the Speaker announced the appointment of the following committee to escort Hon. I. W. Culp to the Speaker's stand:

Messrs. Poage, Wells and Purl.

The committee having performed their duty, Speaker Satterwhite presented Hon. Robert Poage, who in turn introduced Hon. I. W. Culp.

Hon. I. W. Culp then addressed the House.

(Mr. Storey in the chair.)

RELATING TO PENITENTIARY INVESTIGATION.

Mr. Teer offered the following resolution:

Whereas, The prison problem of Texas for the past six years has challenged the attention and consideration of many public-spirited citizens and various organizations, as well as departments of State; and

Whereas, There has been many citizens and groups of citizens who have gladly contributed their services and influence towards helping to solve the penitentiary problem of this State; and

Whereas, The House of Representatives wishes to express its appreciation of those who have made a sacrifice and supported the great movement to solve the prison problem, and the removal from the name of this State the stain and embarrassment which our present obsolete and inefficient system has brought to the fair name of Texas; therefore, be it

Resolved, That this Legislature, by this resolution, thanks the citizens of Texas and the various organizations for their patriotic and valuable services in assisting in the solution of this great problem which now confronts our State government; and be it further

Resolved, That we expressly wish to thank the Penitentiary Investigating committees of the Thirty-seventh, Thirty-eighth and Thirty-ninth Legislatures for their diligent and painstaking efforts to disclose the facts and make recommenda-

tions that have been helpful to this Legislature; and be it further

Resolved, That we express our sincere thanks to the Women's Council of Texas, and also the Committee on Prisons and Prison Labor of Texas, and especially do we wish to thank the members of the State Medical Association of Texas, which was headed by A. C. Scott of Temple, Texas, who so ably and nobly contributed their time and money and gave to each prisoner in the system a thorough physical examination, and who made such valuable and scientific recommendations to the Committee on Prisons and Prison Labor; and be it further

Resolved, That we thank the press of Texas who has so generously and efficiently supported this great forward movement which has resulted, along with the above mentioned citizens and committees, in the final passage of a law, which we hope will finally solve the penitentiary problem of Texas.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

(Mr. Storey in the chair.)

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has refused to grant the request of the House for the return of Senate bill No. 75, and refuses further to concur in House amendments.

The Senate has passed

H. B. No. 650, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Chapter 29 of the General Laws of the Regular Session of the Thirty-eighth Legislature, so as to abolish the office of district attorney in the Seventy-seventh Judicial District on and after January 1, 1927, and providing that on and after said date the county attorney of each county of said district shall perform the duties of a district attorney in said Seventy-seventh District Court in their respective counties, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 652, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating the Pep Independent School District in Hockley, Lamb and Cochran counties, Texas; defining the boundaries thereof; providing for a board of trustees, their election, terms of office, qualifications, powers, duties and authority; authorizing said board to levy, assess and col-

lect taxes for maintenance and building purposes, and to issue bonds."

H. B. No. 653, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating a special road law for Kaufman county."

H. B. No. 656, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create the Bodenhammer Common School District in McCulloch county, Texas, including therein the present Bodenhammer Common School District No. 40, in McCulloch county."

H. B. No. 657, A bill to be entitled "An Act to incorporate Trinidad Independent School District in Henderson county, Texas, out of territory now comprising the Trinidad Common School District No. 6 in Henderson county, Texas."

H. B. No. 660, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and establishing the North Park Independent School District of Taylor county, Texas, including therein the present North Park Common School District No. 39 of Taylor county."

H. B. No. 659, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating an independent school district to be known as the Holt Independent School District, situated in Hutchinson county, Texas, described by metes and bounds, comprising the territory of Common School District No. 8 of Hutchinson county."

H. B. No. 648, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create the Whiteland Common School District in McCulloch county, Texas, including therein the present Whiteland Common School District in McCulloch county," etc.

H. B. No. 651, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Woodrow Independent School District in Lubbock county, Texas, out of the same territory now comprising the Woodrow Common School District No. 21 in Lubbock county, Texas, as established and defined by act of the Thirty-sixth Legislature of the State of Texas."

H. B. No. 663, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating the Dilley County Line Independent School District out of territory in Frio and LaSalle counties."

H. B. No. 665, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create Giles Independent School District in Donley county, Texas."

H. B. No. 667, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create the Glasscock County Independent School District."

H. B. No. 666, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create Common School District No. 6 in McMullen county, Texas; providing a board of trustees therefor; vesting said school district board of

trustees with all the rights, powers, privileges and duties conferred upon common school districts incorporated under the general laws of Texas," etc.

H. B. No. 669, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating, establishing and incorporating the Hidalgo Independent School District in Hidalgo county, Texas."

H. B. No. 677, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create Henderson Independent School District in Concho county, Texas."

H. B. No. 678, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 8, Special Laws of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, Third Called Session, the same being an act creating and establishing the Paint Rock Independent School District in Concho county, Texas."

H. B. No. 683, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Beeville Independent School District."

H. B. No. 682, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating and incorporating the Tolosa Common School District in Kaufman county."

H. B. No. 690, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 155 of the Acts of the Thirty-fourth Legislature as amended by Chapter 23 of the Acts of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, and to amend subdivisions 9, 75 and 80 of Article 30, Title 5, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, and to amend Chapter 104 of the laws passed by the Thirty-eighth Legislature, approved March 21, 1923, and to reorganize the Seventy-fifth Judicial District of Texas and to remove therefrom the county of Montgomery; and to reorganize the Ninth Judicial District of Texas and remove therefrom the counties of Hardin and Liberty, and to add thereto the county of Waller, and to remove said county of Waller from the Eightieth Judicial District of the State of Texas, and fixing the time of holding court in said Seventy-fifth, Ninth, and Eightieth Judicial Districts, and providing for the continuance in office of the present district judges and district attorney within certain limits, and validating processes, bonds, recognizance and decrees issued and rendered under existing arrangements; and repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

H. J. R. No. 9, Eliminating the provision from the Constitution authorizing the Legislature to create local and special districts.

H. B. No. 569, A bill to be entitled

"An Act to validate all homestead claims or pre-emptions filed in the General Land Office July 16, 1888, and on which the residence of the first assignee cannot be proved, but on which the second assignee has lived twenty years or more, and authorizing patents to be issued thereon, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 612, A bill to be entitled "An Act requiring the screening of irrigation ditches to prevent fish escaping from other waters and coming into the waters of such irrigation ditches; making it an offense to violate or fail to comply with this act; providing that the act shall apply to Tom Green, Howard, Reagan, Glasscock, Irion and Sterling counties only; prescribing penalties, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 143, A bill to be entitled "An Act for the protection of those dealing with trustees."

H. B. No. 689, A bill to be entitled "An Act making a supplemental appropriation for the Texas ranger force," with amendment.

Respectfully,

MORRIS C. HANKINS,

Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

PRESENTATION OF GAVEL TO SPEAKER.

Mr. Cox of Navarro presented Speaker Satterwhite with a gavel made by boys at the State Orphans Home of wood taken from the home of Roger Q. Mills.

Speaker Satterwhite thanked the donor for the gavel.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS SIGNED BY THE SPEAKER.

The Speaker signed, in the presence of the House, after giving due notice thereof, and their captions had been read severally, the following enrolled bills and resolutions:

S. B. No. 382, "An Act to provide for the printing, sale and distribution of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, the Penal Code and Code of Criminal Procedure of 1925, as passed at the Regular Session of the Thirty-ninth Legislature; providing that all officers in Texas who have taken out their commission shall be entitled to a copy of said Revised Civil Statutes, Penal Code and Code of Criminal Procedure for the use and benefit of their respective office; providing that each Senator and Representative in the Legislature of the State of Texas shall be entitled to a copy each of the Revised Civil Statutes, Penal

Code and Code of Criminal Procedure; providing that the State Board of Control shall have printed at the expense of the State ten thousand copies of the Revised Civil Statutes, Penal Code and Code of Criminal Procedure, to be bound in law sheep and to be sold at actual cost to the State, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 236, "An Act making an emergency appropriation for the State penitentiary system; restricting the use of said appropriation, and providing that it shall not be used for certain purposes, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 35, "An Act to amend Article 6901 of Chapter 1, Title 119, of the Revised Statutes of Texas of 1911, as amended by Chapter 29 of the General Laws of the Fourth Called Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, and as amended by Chapter 98 of the General Laws, Regular Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, and as amended by Chapter 184 of the General Laws, Regular Session of the Thirty-eighth Legislature, being an act to change the designated year upon which is based the assessed valuations of taxable property affected by the act to be amended, and relating to the compensation of county commissioners; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 284, "An Act to vest in the University of Texas the title to the property near the intersection of Nineteenth Street and East Avenue in the city of Austin, Texas, consisting of outlots Nos. sixty-four (64) and seventy-one (71) of division E of said city of Austin, Travis county, Texas, and being the property formerly occupied by the State Blind Asylum, including all improvements, furnishings and fixtures thereon situated, and repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith."

S. J. R. No. 10, Proposing an amendment to the Constitution providing for taxation of school lands owned by counties.

S. B. No. 415, "An Act to amend Chapter 117 of the General Laws of the Regular Session of the Thirty-eighth Legislature, so as to make proper disposition of intoxicating liquor seized and authorized to be destroyed by court order, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 268, "An Act to amend Sections 1, 3 and 5 of Chapter 163 of an act of the Regular Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, approved April 3, 1919, relating to the adver-

tisement and sale of public free school and asylum lands, and adding another section providing for validating sales held by the Supreme Court to be void and other sales; allowing forfeiting owners six months in which to redeem their forfeited lands, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 309, "An Act to provide that money paid political party committees shall not be counted in the amount limited for campaign expenses, and to repeal all laws in conflict herewith."

S. B. No. 364, "An Act providing that cities and towns under five thousand population shall have the power to appropriate property for public purposes, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 84, "An Act to adopt and establish the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas."

S. B. No. 407, "An Act making appropriations to pay the salaries of the judges of the One Hundred and First and One Hundred and Second Judicial Districts, created by the passage of House bill No. 57 and Senate bill No. 149 at the Regular Session of the Thirty-ninth Legislature, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 98, "An Act making an appropriation to carry into effect the provisions of Chapter 41, General Laws of the First Called Session of the Thirty-seventh Legislature, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 212, "An Act to amend Articles 1315 and 1316 of the Penal Code of the State of Texas of 1911, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 346, "An Act to amend Article 637, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1911, with reference to authorizing the incorporation of road districts and authorizing the same to sue and be sued, and authorizing the levying a tax for the payment of judgments, if cast in suit."

S. B. No. 393, "An Act making appropriations to pay the salaries of officers and employes of certain educational institutions and other expenses of maintaining and conducting them as follows, to wit: Agricultural and Mechanical College, College of Industrial Arts, East Texas State Teachers College at Commerce, State Experiment Stations, Extension Service of Agricultural and Mechanical College, John Tarleton Agricultural College, North Texas Agricultural College, North Texas State Teachers College at Denton, Prairie View

State Normal and Industrial College, Sam Houston State Teachers College at Huntsville, South Texas State Teachers College at Kingsville, Southwest Texas State Teachers College at San Marcos, State Forestry Department, Stephen F. Austin State Teachers College at Nacogdoches, Sul Ross State Teachers College at Alpine, Texas School for the Blind, Texas School for the Deaf, Texas Technological College, University of Texas, including the Medical Branch at Galveston, and the College of Mines and Metallurgy at El Paso, and West Texas State Teachers College at Canyon, for years beginnings September 1, 1925, and ending August 31, 1927, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 287, "An Act to amend Chapter 3 of Title 118 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas of 1911, relating to the filing of notice of pendency of suit, by adding thereto Article 6840j, so as to provide for the cancellation of such notice of pendency of suit by the court in which the suit action is pending, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 174, "An Act making the people secure in their persons, houses, papers and possessions from all unlawful and unreasonable seizures or searches; making it unlawful in the trial of any court within this State to introduce evidence obtained or testimony secured by or through an unlawful or unreasonable seizure or search made by or under the direction of any peace officer, State ranger, or any other person; providing for a penalty when making an unlawful search, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 438, "An Act making appropriations to pay miscellaneous claims against the State and authorizing payment of said miscellaneous items on the taking effect of this act, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 207, "An Act to authorize the commissioners court of the various counties of the State of Texas to employ one or more nurses for the purpose of assisting in the promotion of public health and visiting and inspecting the pupils of the public schools, and to appropriate public funds in payment thereof."

S. B. No. 349, "An Act relating to the appropriation and use of water and providing that such water may be appropriated and used for purposes of public parks, game preserves, recreation and pleasure resorts, power and water supply for industrial purposes and do-

mestic use; amending Section 16, Chapter 88, Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, providing for the filing of presentations relating to investigation of the use of water and the terms and conditions thereof, that priority of right dates from the filing of same, that such rights shall extend for a period of six months and may be extended by order of the Board of Water Engineers not to exceed a total period of three years and the requisites, conditions and operation of same; providing that the fees paid upon the filing of a presentation may be held for the term thereof or during the period of any extension thereof and be handled according to law, and that all rights under a presentation shall cease at the end of the term thereof unless a permit is issued in pursuance thereof; amending Section 41, Chapter 88, Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature; providing the fees to be paid to the State Board of Water Engineers for the use and benefit of the State in matters pertaining to the conduct of said office, the granting of permits, extensions of time and detailed operations of such law, and the maximum fee to be paid for the appropriation and use of water in accordance with the law; providing that anyone may construct on his own property a dam or reservoir to contain not to exceed fifty acre feet of water without securing a permit therefor; providing that anyone who shall fail to file annual reports as provided by Section 100, Chapter 88, Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, shall be liable to a penalty therefor not to exceed a maximum of \$150; repealing all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 663, "An Act creating and incorporating the Dilley County Line Independent School District out of territory in Frio and LaSalle counties."

H. B. No. 652, "An Act creating and incorporating the Pep Independent School District in Hockley, Lamb and Cochran counties, Texas; defining the boundaries thereof; providing for a board of trustees, their election, terms of office, qualifications, powers, duties and authority; authorizing said board to levy, assess and collect taxes for maintenance and building purposes, and to issue bonds."

H. B. No. 653, "An Act creating a special road law for Kaufman county."

H. B. No. 657, "An Act to incorporate Trinidad Independent School District in

Henderson county, Texas, out of territory now comprising the Trinidad Common School District No. 6 in Henderson county, Texas."

H. B. No. 650, "An Act creating an independent school district to be known as the Holt Independent School District, situated in Hutchinson county, Texas, described by metes and bounds, comprising the territory of Common School District No. 8 of Hutchinson county."

H. B. No. 646, "An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 9, Special Laws of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, Third Called Session, the same being entitled 'An Act extending the boundaries of and adding territory to the Lamesa Independent School District in Dawson county.'"

H. B. No. 651, "An Act creating the Woodrow Independent School District in Lubbock county, Texas, out of the same territory now comprising the Woodrow Common School District No. 21 in Lubbock county, Texas, as established and defined by act of the Thirty-sixth Legislature of the State of Texas."

S. B. No. 332, "An Act to amend Article 3720 of Chapter 1 of Title 54 of the Revised Statutes of 1911, so as to provide how executions shall issue when a sole plaintiff or one or several plaintiffs shall die after judgment; repealing all laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 222, "An Act to regulate cut-outs on motorcycles and automobiles."

H. B. No. 648, "An Act to create the Whiteland Common School District in McCulloch county, Texas, including therein the present Whiteland Common School District in McCulloch county."

H. C. R. No. 61, Relating to keeping the Hall open.

H. C. R. No. 59, Relating to the return of House bill No. 593.

H. J. R. No. 9, Relating to amending Section 3 of the Constitution.

S. B. No. 327, "An Act relating to water improvement districts and providing that lands admitted to a water improvement district organized or operating under Section 59, Article XVI of the State Constitution may be admitted upon agreement that same be taxed upon assessment or benefit plan or upon a uniform acreage basis or upon a definite annual payment; providing that in the collection of delinquent taxes the attorney's fees of not to exceed 10 per cent

of such taxes shall be added to same and judgment may be recovered therefor, and that publication of delinquent tax rolls is not prerequisite to the filing of such suits; amending Section 72, Chapter 87, Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 58, Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-eighth Legislature, and being Article 7718 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925; providing for the election of five directors for a district and that in certain districts, containing not to exceed 12,000 acres of land in which 60 per cent or more of the lands are owned by persons who do not reside in the district in which the petition for organization so provides such directors shall be appointed by the county commissioners court and the procedure thereof; providing that assessments of a water improvement district for maintenance and operation shall be a lien against the lands assessed and shall not be barred by limitation; amending Section 83, Chapter 87, Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, and being Articles 7732 to 7736, inclusive, of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, providing that lands in an adjoining county may be added to a district in the same manner as if situated in the same county; providing a water improvement district may file reports and make audits for each calendar year and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 8, "An Act amending Articles 3, 4, 7, 10, 13, 16, 35, 38, 41, 48, 55, 60, 61, 64, and amended by Chapter 44, General Laws of the First Called Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature; and Articles 39 and 53 as amended by Chapter 139, General Laws of the Regular Session of the Thirty-eighth Legislature, changing certain penalties therein, making necessary changes and regulations, repealing all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 593, "An Act to amend Section 2, Chapter 40, Local and Special Laws, enacted by the Regular Session of the Thirty-fourth Legislature in 1915, same being an amendment to San Saba county special road law, by adding thereto Section 2a, to permit the issuance of bonds by San Saba county for the purpose of funding or refunding indebtedness incurred for road and bridge purposes, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 16, "An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 5, of the General Laws of the First Called Session of the Thirty-third Legislature, relating to in-

determinate sentences, the purpose of this amendment being to provide for the discharge of certain convicts under indeterminate sentences upon certain conditions, and providing that this act shall apply to convicts now serving indeterminate sentences in the penitentiary as well as to those who shall hereafter be sentenced to indeterminate terms of imprisonment in the penitentiary."

H. B. No. 690, "An Act to amend Chapter 155 of the Acts of the Thirty-fourth Legislature as amended by Chapter 23 of the Acts of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, and to amend subdivisions 9, 75 and 80 of Article 30, Title 5, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, and to amend Chapter 104 of the laws passed by the Thirty-eighth Legislature, approved March 21, 1923, and to reorganize the Seventy-fifth Judicial District of Texas and remove therefrom the county of Montgomery, and to reorganize the Ninth Judicial District of Texas and remove therefrom the counties of Hardin and Liberty, and to add thereto the county of Waller, and to remove said county of Waller from the Eightieth Judicial District of the State of Texas, and fixing the time of holding court in said Seventy-fifth, Ninth and Eightieth Judicial Districts, and providing for the continuance in office of the present district judges and district attorneys within certain limits, and validating process, bonds, recognition and decrees issued and rendered under existing arrangements; and repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 626, "An Act to create the Westbrook Independent School District in Mitchell county, Texas."

H. B. No. 637, "An Act to create a more efficient road system for Stonewall county, Texas; providing that the commissioners court of said county shall be authorized to issue bonds of said county for the purpose of funding or refunding indebtedness incurred for road and bridge purposes, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 393, "An Act to amend Article 1120 of Title 15 of Chapter 1 of the Code of Criminal Procedure of 1911, as amended by Chapter 127 of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-fourth Legislature and by Chapter 70 of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, so as to provide that the maximum number of days for which a district attorney may re-

ceive pay shall not exceed 230 in any one year in all judicial districts of this State composed of two counties or more, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 334, "An Act amending Article 5988, Title 96, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1911, as amended by Chapter 31, General Laws of the Thirty-eighth Legislature, Second Called Session, relating to the bond of county treasurer as treasurer of the navigation district, so that said article shall provide for the bond to cover all funds in the hands of the treasurer of said district, and so as to provide for the conditions and approval of said bond, and so as to provide for a district depository; providing that all laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith are repealed, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 467, "An Act making appropriation for two years to acquire additional lands for the University of Texas."

S. B. No. 172, "An Act to provide the method of preparing statement of facts in all cases appealed or taken up on writ of error, and for the consideration of same by the appellate courts, and for the inclusion therein of bills of exception, and for the repeal of all laws or parts of laws in conflict with this act."

S. B. No. 401, "An Act conferring upon counties the right of eminent domain where land, right of way or easements are necessary to be secured for the construction of jails, courthouses, hospitals, delinquent and dependent schools, poor farms, libraries or for other public purposes, and providing for the institution of such proceedings in the name of the county, and that the assessing of damages shall be in conformity to the statutes of the State of Texas for condemning and acquiring right of way by railroads, and providing that no appeal shall cause suspension of work, and that counties shall not be required to give appeal bond or bonds for costs, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 388, "An Act amending Article 6676, Chapter 15, Title 115, Revised Statutes, so that the provisions of said chapter shall be construed to apply to and affect the transportation of passengers and freight by gasoline or electric motor cars over steam railroads between points within this State; providing that such gasoline or electric motor car shall be deemed a train within the meaning of the requirement that at

least one train be run each day, etc.; and providing that if such steam railroads shall operate a gasoline or electric motor car for transportation of passengers it shall be subject to the requirements that at least one such motor car shall be run every day, Sundays excepted, and to the requirements as to stopping for a time sufficient to receive and let off passengers at such stations as may be designated by the commissioners, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 290, "An Act to amend Section 2, Chapter 185, of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-eighth Legislature of the State of Texas, pertaining to the business of private banks so as to eliminate the retroactive feature of said act, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 312, "An Act amending Section 9 of Chapter 87, of the General Laws of the State of Texas passed at the Regular Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature of the State of Texas, amended by Chapter 28, Second Called Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, amended by Chapter 11, Second Called Session of the Thirty-eighth Legislature, by limiting the issuance of notes to four per cent of the proposed cost of improvements to be made in creating water improvement districts; and amending Section 80 of Chapter 87, of the General Laws of the State of Texas passed at the Regular Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature of the State of Texas, by omitting the provision in the last part of said section which provides for the change in boundary lines in irrigation districts; and amending Section 118a, Chapter 87, of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, added in Chapter 28, First Called Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, referring to the inclusion of towns and municipal corporations in water improvement districts, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 3, "An Act declaring all wild animals, wild birds and wild fowls to be the property of the people of this State; to preserve, propagate, distribute and protect the wild game animals, wild game birds and fowls, and wild birds of this State; defining offenses, and prescribing penalties for the violations thereof; providing for the issuance of hunting licenses; providing for the appointment of deputy game, fish and oyster commissioners; prescribing their duties and compensation; mak-

ing provisions for the creation of a special game fund, and appropriating the same for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act; repealing certain laws, and all laws, general and special, in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 416, "An Act extending the term of office of the Educational Survey Commission created by act of the Thirty-eighth Legislature; to provide for the completion of the work of the said Commission, including the preparation of a report embodying therein bills and resolutions for presentation to the Legislature; prescribing the powers and duties of the said Commission; providing for filling vacancies in the Commission; making an appropriation, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 259, "An Act to extend oil and gas lease permits on University lands."

S. B. No. 387, "An Act to amend Articles 6655, 6657 and 6658, Chapter 15, Title 115, Revised Statutes of Texas, providing that employes designated may hear the evidence adduced at a hearing upon the establishment of rates under said chapter of Title 115, and for such purpose shall have the power to administer oaths to the witnesses, compel their attendance, and the production of papers, waybills, books, accounts, documents and testimony; that in the event such hearing is had before such employe, he shall, if requested by the Commission, transmit with a stenographic report of the evidence his findings and recommendations which may be approved or disapproved by the Commission at its discretion, and an order entered by the Commission in accordance with its own determination of the issues involved, so as to provide that when a railroad company or other party at interest files a suit against the Railroad Commission of Texas by reason of its decision of a rate, classification, rule, charge, order, act or regulation, the court before whom said cause shall be pending shall not issue a writ of injunction temporarily restraining the enforcement of said rate, classification, rule, charge, order, act or regulation except after notice to the Commission and opportunity for hearing on the application for said temporary injunction; providing that in the trial of such cause the findings and order of the Commission shall be prima facie evidence of the facts therein stated, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 351, "An Act setting aside all lands owned by the State of Texas, and the Prison Commission of Texas, located in Cherokee county, for the reforestation purposes to be used for such purposes by the Agricultural and Mechanical College, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 468, "An Act adding to and making a part of Center Common School District No. 34 of Fisher county certain lands and territory contiguous thereto."

S. B. No. 303, "An Act to provide that owners of public free school land heretofore purchased from the State of Texas, which land may hereafter be forfeited for non-payment of interest as now provided by law, provided said forfeiture was caused by reason of interest accrued or accruing prior to the taking effect of this act, shall have the right to repurchase said lands or any part thereof at the reappraised value thereof under the law now governing such sales, and leaving any lien and valid contractual right existing in and to the land so repurchased unimpaired, and providing for a revaluation of such land by the Commissioner of the General Land Office as may be desired to be repurchased under this act, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 470, "An Act providing for sale of land owned by the State of Texas located near El Paso, Texas."

S. B. No. 461, "An Act relating to and making an appropriation for a special warrant clerk in State Comptroller's Department."

S. B. No. 342, "An Act amending Section 1, of Chapter 62, of the General Laws passed at the Regular Session of the Thirty-second Legislature, so as to change the amount of money that commissioners courts may appropriate for farmers' co-operative demonstration work from \$1000 per year to \$1500 per year, and providing that commissioners courts may co-operate such work with the United States Department of Agriculture and the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 457, "An Act making appropriations to Department of Banking for enforcement of State banking laws."

S. B. No. 268, "An Act to amend Sections 1, 3 and 5 of Chapter 163 of an act of the Regular Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, approved April 3, 1919, relating to the advertisement and sale of public free school and asylum land, and adding another section providing for validating sales held by the Supreme Court to be void and other sales; allowing forfeiting owners six months in

which to redeem their forfeited lands, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 464, "An Act to amend Senate bill No. 183, passed as an act of the Thirty-ninth Legislature at its Regular Session, same being 'An Act making appropriations for the support and maintenance of the State government for the two-year period beginning September 1, 1925, and ending August 31, 1927,' so as to reitemize the appropriations made for the Executive Department, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 130, "An Act to amend Article 4186, Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas of 1911, relating to filing of accounts by guardians and furnishing certified copies thereof in certain cases, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 389, "An Act prohibiting the establishment and maintenance of cemeteries near incorporated towns or cities, and declaring the same to be a nuisance."

S. B. No. 427, "An Act to empower and direct the Governor of the State of Texas, with the consent of the city of Austin, to cancel the lease heretofore made by the State of Texas to the city of Austin of certain land lying between the Colorado river and outlots one (1) and eleven (11) in division 'Z' in the city of Austin, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 44, "An Act to relinquish, quitclaim and grant unto all incorporated cities and towns within the State of Texas, beds and channels of all rivers, streams and other channels that are now or that may hereafter be within the present or future corporate limits of such incorporated cities and towns so far as such river beds, streams and other channels may be owned or claimed as the property of said State, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 463, "An Act amending Section 1, Chapter 34, Acts of the Regular Session, Thirty-fifth Legislature, creating the Lipscomb Independent School District in Lipscomb county; enlarging the boundaries thereof, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 298, "An Act providing for the employment of teachers who have been engaged ten years in teaching a special subject, without requiring that they have a certificate, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 372, "An Act to amend all that portion of S. B. No. 101 passed at the Regular Session of the Thirty-eighth Legislature and signed by the Governor contained under the section headed 'Court of Civil Appeals, Sixth District, Texarkana,' and above the section headed

'Court of Civil Appeals, Seventh District, Amarillo,' so that such section as amended will reduce the item of \$2500 for bookcases for the year ending August 31, 1926, from \$2500 to \$1300; and adding a new line to such section providing for the year ending August 31, 1926, the sum of \$600, and for the year ending August 31, 1927, the sum of \$600 for porter hire, and the sum of \$100 for each of said fiscal years for bailiff, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 402, "An Act amending Article 303 of the Penal Code of the State of Texas, so as to permit the sale of gasoline and lubricants on Sunday, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 460, "An Act fixing the salary of State Health Officer, and making appropriation for same."

H. B. No. 683, "An Act to create and establish the Beeville Independent School District in Bee county, Texas, including therein the territory of the present Beeville Independent District as incorporated under the general law; providing a board of trustees for the said district and conferring upon the board of trustees the rights, powers and duties prescribed by general law for independent school district trustees; validating current contracts, indebtedness, and tax levies of the present Beeville Independent School District as the valid and subsisting contracts, indebtedness and taxes of the district as hereby created, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 650, "An Act amending Chapter 29 of the General Laws of the Regular Session of the Thirty-eighth Legislature, so as to abolish the office of district attorney in the Seventy-seventh Judicial District on and after January 1, 1927, and providing that on and after said date the county attorney of each county of said district shall perform the duties of a district attorney in said Seventy-seventh District Court in their respective counties, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 640, "An Act to amend an act creating and incorporating the O'Donnell Independent School District in the counties of Lynn and Dawson in the State of Texas."

H. B. No. 669, "An Act creating, establishing and incorporating the Hidalgo Independent School District in Hidalgo county, Texas, for free school purposes only; defining its boundaries; providing for the management and control thereof by a board of trustees; providing for continuing in office certain members of the board and the elec-

tion of the other members of the board, and providing time and manner of election thereof, and providing for temporary management and control of said district; authorizing the selection of a treasurer (or depository), and providing for the requirement of a proper bond; providing for requiring bond to be given by assessor and collector of taxes and the proper disposition of such taxes; ratifying, confirming and validating taxes for maintenance purposes and bond issues heretofore voted; providing for the appointment of suitable persons to act as a board of equalization and giving said board of equalization power to fix the valuation upon property in said district for school purposes; vesting, validating and confirming in said independent district all moneys and other property of whatsoever character heretofore held and vested in Common School District No. 15 of Hidalgo county, Texas, and also the assumption of all indebtedness of said Common School District No. 15 of Hidalgo county, Texas; making this act cumulative of all such general laws not in conflict with this act."

H. B. No. 660, "An Act creating and establishing the North Park Independent School District of Taylor county, Texas, including therein the present North Common School District No. 39 of Taylor county."

H. B. No. 615, "An Act creating the St. Paul Independent School District, sitrated in San Patricio county, Texas."

H. B. No. 687, "An Act making an appropriation of the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), or so much thereof as may be necessary, out of the general revenue of the State of Texas, to pay the contingent expense of the Regular Session of the Thirty-ninth Legislature of the State of Texas; providing how accounts may be approved, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 689, "An Act to make a supplementary appropriation out of the general revenue of the State of Texas, not otherwise appropriated, for the support and maintenance of the State ranger force, to be added to the appropriation as made by Senate bill No. 183, passed by the Regular Session of the Thirty-ninth Legislature, for the years beginning September 1, 1925, and ending August 31, 1927."

H. B. No. 642, "An Act to validate the incorporation of the city of Littlefield as adopted by the qualified voters of said city at an election held on the

9th day of August, 1924, under the provisions of Chapter 15, Title 22, Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, as amended by Chapter 21, Acts of 1913, Regular Session, as amended by Chapter 60, Acts of 1921, Regular Session."

H. B. No. 639, "An Act to amend Chapter 75 of the Acts of the Third Called Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, creating the Emory Independent School District."

H. B. No. 636, "An Act granting to the Railroad Commission, in conjunction with States separated in whole or in part from this State by rivers or streams, the right to formulate rules, rates and regulations across said river or stream, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 682, "An Act creating and incorporating the Tolosa Common School District in Kaufman county."

H. B. No. 671, "An Act creating the Pearsall Independent School District."

H. B. No. 666, "An Act to create Common School District No. 6 in McMullen county, Texas."

S. B. No. 455, "An Act amending Articles 5585, 5586 and 5587 of Revised Civil Statutes of Texas of 1911."

H. B. No. 676, "An Act to amend Chapter 132, Local and Special Laws, Thirty-fifth Legislature, Regular Session, same being an act creating Pine-land Independent School District No. 3 in Sabine county, Texas."

H. B. No. 667, "An Act to create the Glasscock County Independent School District in Glasscock county, Texas."

H. B. No. 677, "An Act to create Henderson Independent School District in Concho county, Texas."

H. B. No. 665, "An Act to create Giles Independent School District in Donley county, Texas, including therein Giles Common School District No. 4 of the said county."

H. B. No. 656, "An Act to create the Bodenhammer Common School District in McCulloch county, Texas, including therein the present Bodenhammer Common School District No. 40 in McCulloch county."

H. B. No. 563, "An Act creating and incorporating the Runningwater Independent School District of Hale county, Texas, for free school purposes only; defining its boundaries; vesting it with all the rights, powers, duties and privileges of independent school districts under the general laws of Texas pertaining thereto; providing a board of trustees, raising of revenue by taxation, issuing bonds and maintaining public free schools therein; vesting all lands, build-

ings and all other property now owned and held for free school purposes by Runningwater Common School District in the Runningwater Independent School District; providing that all outstanding indebtedness, whether bonded or otherwise, is a valid obligation against the Runningwater Independent School District; declaring valid a maintenance and bond tax heretofore voted by said Runningwater Common School District, and repealing all other acts and laws in conflict herewith."

H. B. No. 569, "An Act to validate all homestead claims or pre-emptions filed in the General Land Office July 16, 1888, and on which the residence of the first assignee can not be proved, but on which the second assignee has lived twenty years or more, and authorizing patents to be issued thereon, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 363, "An Act to create Common School District No. 5 in Refugio county, Texas; providing a board of trustees therefor; vesting said common school district board of trustees with all the rights, powers, privileges and duties conferred upon common school districts incorporated under the general laws of Texas, and providing for a board of trustees to serve until the time for next election of school trustees as provided by general law; providing for the validation of all contracts, bonds or other valid indebtedness and tax levies of the present Common School District No. 5 as the subsisting obligations and acts of Common School District No. 5 as created by this act, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 678, "An Act to amend Chapter 8, Special Laws of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, Third Called Session, the same being an act creating and establishing the Paint Rock Independent School District in Concho county, Texas."

H. B. No. 644, "An Act to amend Chapter 77, Section 1, of the Acts of the Regular Session, Thirty-eighth Legislature, preventing the sale of bass, white perch, crappie, channel or other catfish in the counties of Mills and Bell, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 423, "An Act to amend Article 3903 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas for 1911, as amended by the Thirty-third Legislature at its Regular Session, Chapter 121 and Chapter 142 of the General Laws, as amended by Chapter 55 of the General Laws of the Regular Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, and as amended by Chapter 32 of the General Laws of the Third Called Session of the

Thirty-sixth Legislature, as amended by Chapter 96 of the General Laws of the Regular Session of the Thirty-seventh Legislature, authorizing county attorneys and district attorneys in counties having a population in excess of one hundred thousand inhabitants, where there is also a district attorney, to appoint deputies, or assistants, by adding Article 3903a, providing that counties composing one judicial district, and the population being between thirty-seven thousand five hundred and one hundred thousand, and the county attorney performs the duties of county attorney and the district attorney."

H. B. No. 553, "An Act to amend Section 1, Chapter 77, General Laws of the Thirty-eighth Legislature, Regular Session, providing for the omission of Wood county; limiting the size of mesh that may be used; prohibiting the sale of squirrels and limiting the number that may be killed; declaring a closed season on deer, wild turkey and quail; prescribing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 143, "An Act for the protection of those dealing with trustees."

H. B. No. 474, "An Act to amend Article 7235, Chapter 6, Title 124, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1911, as amended by Chapter 72, General Laws of the Thirty-third Legislature, and Chapters 26 and 99, General Laws of the Thirty-fourth Legislature, and Chapter 131, General Laws of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, and Chapter 10 of the General Laws of the Second Called Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, with reference to the mode of preventing horses and certain other animals from running at large in the counties named, so as to include Hudspeth county, Texas, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 604, "An Act creating and incorporating the Twin Wells Independent County Line School District, lying in the counties of Dickens and Kent, in the State of Texas."

H. B. No. 619, "An Act creating and incorporating Robertson Independent School District in Crosby county, Texas."

H. B. No. 611, "An Act creating the Salem Independent School District in Swisher county, Texas."

S. B. No. 383, "An Act to increase and fix the salary of the superintendent of public instruction of Harris county, Texas; providing for office and traveling expenses; repealing all laws and parts

of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 593, "An Act to amend Section 2, Chapter 40, Local and Special Laws enacted by the Regular Session of the Thirty-fourth Legislature in 1915, same being an amendment to San Saba county special road law, by adding thereto Section 2a, to permit the issuance of bonds by San Saba county for the purpose of funding or refunding indebtedness incurred for road and bridge purposes, and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 377, "An Act authorizing the trustees of any common or independent school district of this State to pay off and discharge any bonded indebtedness or any part thereof now or hereafter to be owned by the State permanent school fund, outstanding against any such common or independent school district at any interest-paying date; and authorizing the State Board of Education to permit the redemption of such bonds within their discretion; providing the mode and manner of such redemption, and declaring an emergency."

COMMITTEE TO NOTIFY GOVERNOR AND SENATE.

Mr. Westbrook offered the following resolution:

Resolved by the House, That the Speaker appoint two committees of three members each, one to notify the Governor, and the other to notify the Senate, that the House has completed its labors and is now ready to adjourn.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.

In accordance with the above action, the Speaker announced the appointment of the following committees:

To notify the Governor: Messrs. Blount, Bean and Barker.

To notify the Senate: Messrs. Bobbitt, Strong and Storey.

HOUSE NOTIFIED.

A committee from the Senate appeared at the bar of the House, and, being duly announced, reported that the Senate has completed its labors and is now ready to adjourn sine die.

SENATE NOTIFIED.

The committee appointed to notify the Senate that the House has completed its labors and is ready to adjourn sine die appeared at the bar of the House,

and, being duly announced, stated that they had performed the duty assigned them.

GOVERNOR NOTIFIED.

The committee appointed to notify the Governor that the House has completed its labors and is now ready to adjourn sine die appeared at the bar of the House and, being duly announced, stated that they had performed the duty assigned them and presented the following message from the Governor, which was read to the House as follows:

Executive Department.

Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

To the Membership of the Thirty-ninth Legislature:

Most Esteemed Sirs: As you close a most eventful session I desire to express to you my earnest congratulations upon the result of your labors. Without the fear of contradiction, I want to say that this Legislature has been one of the most zealous and energetic bodies of modern times. Though there may be differences of opinion as to the propriety of some of your actions, I believe the people will agree that you have labored conscientiously and patriotically for their common good.

I desire to express to the membership my deep appreciation for their uniform courtesy and co-operation with the Executive Department. I regret that rush of official duties has not made it possible for the creation of a better personal acquaintance. I trust that further opportunity will present itself for even a more friendly relation.

I sincerely hope that your stay in Austin during the session has been a personal pleasure and satisfaction. I hope that absence from your home has not been the cause of any great personal inconvenience and that you will return to your loved ones and firesides with the consciousness that you have served your State to the best of your ability. I shall with pleasure say to you good luck but not goodbye. May God be with you till we meet again.

With continued esteem, I am,

Yours very truly,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor of Texas.

ADJOURNMENT SINE DIE.

On motion of Mr. Bobbitt, the House, in accordance with concurrent action of the two houses, at 6 o'clock p. m., adjourned sine die.

APPENDIX.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS.

The following committees on yesterday filed favorable reports on bills as follows:

Public Lands and Buildings—Senate bill No. 470.

Appropriations—Senate bills Nos. 466, 464; House bill No. 494.

School Districts—Senate bill No. 442.

Liquor Traffic—Senate bill No. 415.

Conservation and Reclamation—Senate bill No. 312.

Municipal and Private Corporations—Senate bills Nos. 364, 345.

THANKING HON. A. C. DUNN.

Whereas, The work of the members of the Committee on Insurance has been lightened and made more pleasant, due to the fact that the Hon. A. C. Dunn is one of the most efficient presiding officers any organization was ever honored with; and

Whereas, Due to his fairness and impartiality, the proponents and opponents have been given an opportunity to give their arguments, which was a great benefit to this committee, as well as the commonwealth which we represent; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Committee on Insurance in the House of Representatives in the Thirty-ninth Legislature, That we extend to our chairman our most sincere thanks, and on behalf of those who have appeared before us, we further express our gratitude; and be it further

Resolved, That this resolution be spread on the minutes of the Committee on Insurance.

KEMBLE,
STOREY,
SHEARER,
Sub-committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED BILLS.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 16, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 246, "An Act to amend Article 2643 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas of 1911, as

amended by Chapter 37 of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-eighth Legislature, setting aside all interest and income from the University permanent fund and lands for the purpose of constructing permanent improvements on the campus of the University of Texas, or at its branches, declaring void any contract for the expenditure of said funds for any other purpose, by including in the funds that may be used for such construction of permanent improvements all income proceeds of all mineral leases on University lands now in the State Treasury or hereafter received from such leases; and also to amend Section 17 of Chapter 83 of the General Laws of the State of Texas, passed at the Regular Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, as amended by Chapter 58 of the Third Called Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, so as to provide that all proceeds heretofore or hereafter paid and collected arising from activities affecting lands belonging to the University of Texas shall be credited to the available fund for such institution, and shall be held by the Board of Regents of such institution in a special building fund, and be expended by it only for the erection of buildings or other permanent improvements upon the University campus, repealing all laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 669, "An Act creating, establishing and incorporating the Hidalgo Independent School District in Hidalgo county, Texas, for free school purposes only; defining its boundaries; providing for the management and control thereof by a board of trustees; providing for continuing in office certain members of the board and the election of the other members of the board, and providing time and manner of election thereof, and providing for temporary management and control of said district; authorizing the selection of a treasurer (or depository), and providing for the requirement of a proper bond; providing for requiring bond to be given by assessor and collector of

taxes and the proper disposition of such taxes; ratifying, confirming and validating taxes for maintenance purposes and bond issues heretofore voted; providing for the appointment of suitable persons to act as a board of equalization and giving said board of equalization power to fix the valuation upon property in said district for school purposes; vesting, validating and confirming in said independent district all moneys and other property of whatsoever character heretofore held and vested in Common School District No. 15 of Hidalgo county, Texas, and also the assumption of all indebtedness of said Common School District No. 15 of Hidalgo county, Texas; making this act cumulative of all such general laws not in conflict with this act; repealing all laws or parts of laws in conflict with this act, and providing that in case any clauses or sections of this act are declared unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such action by the court shall not invalidate the remaining clauses or sections of this act, and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 690, "An Act to amend Chapter 155 of the Acts of the Thirty-fourth Legislature, as amended by Chapter 23 of the Acts of the Thirty-fifth Legislature and to amend subdivisions 9, 75 and 80 of Article 30, Title 5, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, and to amend Chapter 104 of the laws passed by the Thirty-eighth Legislature, approved March 21, 1923, and to reorganize the Seventy-fifth Judicial District of Texas, and remove therefrom the county of Montgomery, and to reorganize the Ninth Judicial District of Texas and remove therefrom the counties of Hardin and Liberty, and to add thereto the county of Waller from the Eightieth Judicial District of the State of Texas, and fixing the time of holding court in said Seventy-fifth, Ninth and Eightieth Judicial Districts, and providing for the continuance in office of the present district judges and district attorneys within certain limits, and validating process, bonds, recog-

nizances and decrees issued and rendered under existing arrangements; and repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 676, "An Act to amend Chapter 132, Local and Special Laws, Thirty-fifth Legislature, Regular Session, same being an act creating Pine-land Independent School District No. 3 in Sabine county, Texas,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 667, "An Act to create the Glasscock County Independent School District in Glasscock county, Texas,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 671, "An Act creating the Pearsall Independent School District,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 666, "An Act to create Common School District No. 6 in McMullen county, Texas,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 656, "An Act to create the Bodenhammer Common School District in McCulloch county, Texas, including therein the present Bodenhammer Common School District No. 40 in McCulloch county,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 663, "An Act creating and incorporating the Dilley County Line Independent School District out of territory in Frio and LaSalle counties,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 665, "An Act to create Giles Independent School District in Donley county, Texas, including therein Giles Common School District No. 4 of the said county,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 659, "An Act creating an independent school district to be known as the Holt Independent School District, situated in Hutchinson county, Texas, described by metes and bounds, comprising the territory of Common School District No. 8 of Hutchinson county,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the
House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled
Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 660, "An Act creating and
establishing the North Park Independ-
ent School District of Taylor county,
Texas, including therein the present
North Common School District No. 39
of Taylor county,"

Have carefully compared same and
find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the
House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled
Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 652, "An Act creating and
incorporating the Pep Independent
School District in Hockley, Lamb and
Cochran counties, Texas; defining the
boundaries thereof; providing for a
board of trustees, their election, terms
of office, qualifications, powers, duties
and authority; authorizing said board
to levy, assess and collect taxes for
maintenance and building purposes, and
to issue bonds,"

Have carefully compared same and
find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the
House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled
Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 651, "An Act creating the
Woodrow Independent School District
in Lubbock county, Texas, out of the
same territory now comprising the
Woodrow Common School District No.
21 in Lubbock county, Texas, as estab-
lished and defined by act of the Thirty-
sixth Legislature of the State of Texas,"

Have carefully compared same and
find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the
House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled
Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 648, "An Act to create the
Whiteland Common School District in
McCulloch county, Texas, including
therein the present Whiteland Common
School District in McCulloch county,"

Have carefully compared same and
find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the
House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled
Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 653, "An Act creating a
special road law for Kaufman county,"

Have carefully compared same and
find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the
House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled
Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 657, "An Act to incorpo-
rate Trinidad Independent School Dis-
trict in Henderson county, Texas, out
of territory now comprising the Trini-
dad Common School District No. 6 in
Henderson county, Texas,"

Have carefully compared same and
find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the
House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled
Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 682, "An Act creating and
incorporating the Tolosa Common School
District No. 164, lying in the counties
of Kaufman and Henderson in the
State of Texas; defining boundaries
thereof; placing said common school
district under the control of the gen-
eral laws, and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same and
find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the
House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled
Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 683, "An Act to create and

establish the Beeville Independent School District in Bee county, Texas, including therein the territory of the present Beeville Independent District as incorporated under the general law; providing a board of trustees for the said district and conferring upon the board of trustees the rights, powers and duties prescribed by general law for independent school district trustees; validating current contracts, indebtedness and tax levies of the present Beeville Independent School District as the valid and subsisting contracts, indebtedness and taxes of the district as hereby created, and declaring an emergency."

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 646, "An Act to amend Section 1, of Chapter 9, Special Laws of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, Third Called Session, the same being entitled 'An Act extending the boundaries of and adding territory to the Lamesa Independent School District in Dawson county,'"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 611, "An Act creating the Salem Independent School District in Swisher county, Texas,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 18, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 563, "An Act creating and incorporating the Runningwater Independent School District of Hale county, Texas, for free school purposes only; defining its boundaries, vesting it with all the rights, powers, duties and privileges of independent school districts under the general laws of Texas pertaining there-

to; providing a board of trustees, raising of revenue by taxation, issuing bonds and maintaining public free schools therein; vesting all lands, buildings and all other property now owned and held for free school purposes by Runningwater Common School District in the Runningwater Independent School District; providing that all outstanding indebtedness, whether bonded or otherwise, is a valid obligation against the Runningwater Independent School District; declaring valid a maintenance and bond tax heretofore voted by said Runningwater Common School District, and repealing all other acts and laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 639, "An Act to amend Chapter 75 of the Acts of the Third Called Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, creating the Emory Independent School District,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 642, "An Act to validate the incorporation of the city of Littlefield, as adopted by the qualified voters of said city at an election held on the 9th day of August, 1924, under the provisions of Chapter 15, Title 22, Revised Civil Statutes of 1911, as amended by Chapter 21, Acts of 1913, Regular Session, as amended by Chapter 60, Acts of 1921, Regular Session,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 474, "An Act to amend Article 7235, Chapter 6, Title 124, Re-

vised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1911, as amended by Chapter 72, General Laws of the Thirty-third Legislature, and Chapters 26 and 99, General Laws of the Thirty-fourth Legislature, and Chapter 131, General Laws of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, and Chapter 10 of the General Laws of the Second Called Session of the Thirty-fifth Legislature, with reference to the mode of preventing horses and certain other animals from running at large in the counties named, so as to include Hudspeth county, Texas, and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 640, "An Act to amend an act creating and incorporating the O'Donnell Independent School District in the counties of Lynn and Dawson in the State of Texas,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 615, "An Act creating the St. Paul Independent School District, situated in San Patricio county, Texas,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 677, "An Act to create Henderson Independent School District in Concho county, Texas,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 678, "An Act to amend Chapter 8, Special Laws of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, Third Called Session, the same being an act creating and establishing the Paint Rock Independent School District in Concho county, Texas,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 643, "An Act to create Calliham Independent School District in Live Oak and McMullen counties, Texas, including therein the present Calliham School District No. 3 of the said counties,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 604, "An Act creating and incorporating the Twin Wells Independent County Line School District, lying in the counties of Dickens and Kent, in the State of Texas,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 363, "An Act to create Common School District No. 5 in Refugio county, Texas; providing a board of trustees therefor; vesting said common school district board of trustees with all the rights, powers, privileges and duties conferred upon common school districts incorporated under the general laws of Texas, and providing for a board of trustees to serve until the time for next election of school trustees as provided by general law; providing for the validation of all contracts, bonds or other valid indebtedness and tax levies of the present Common School District No. 5 as the subsisting obligations and acts of Common School Dis-

trict No. 5 as created by this act, and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 637, "An Act to create more efficient road system for Stonewall county, Texas; providing that the commissioners court of said county shall be authorized to issue bonds of said county for the purpose of funding or refunding indebtedness incurred for road and bridge purposes, and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 619, "An Act creating and incorporating Robertson Independent School District in Crosby county, Texas,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 626, "An Act to create the Westbrook Independent School District, in Mitchell county, Texas,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 18, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 303, "An Act amending Chapter 57 of the General Laws of the First Called Session of the Thirty-seventh Legislature, relating to the State penitentiary system; providing for the relocation of the State penitentiary sys-

tem; providing for the disposition of the penitentiary property to accomplish the purpose of this act; providing for a modern penitentiary system and facilities; providing for the purchase of the necessary property for such system and facilities; providing for the operation and maintenance of said system; providing for the necessary officers, agents and employes, and making the necessary appropriation to carry out the purpose of this act, and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. J. R. No. 9, Proposing an amendment to Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, by changing Section 3, eliminating the provision authorizing the Legislature to create special districts, and making an appropriation therefor,

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 143, "An Act for the protection of those dealing with trustees,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 18, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 76, "An Act relative to fur-bearing animals; regulating, licensing and controlling the taking, trapping, killing and handling such animals; enacting the provisions, offenses, penalties, regulations and requirements necessary and incident to such subject and purpose; regulating the taking of certain fur-bearing animals or their pelts for barter or sale; declaring them to be the property of the people of the State; defining trapper, defining resident, non-

resident and alien; providing form of trapper's licenses, their distribution; providing for certain exemptions; regulating the season; closing season on certain animals; providing for disposition of funds; designating certain illegal acts; defining inclosed lands; defining posted land; prescribing penalty for violation; providing for enforcement, and declaring an emergency."

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 650, "An Act amending Chapter 29 of the General Laws of the Regular Session of the Thirty-eighth Legislature, so as to abolish the office of district attorney in the Seventy-seventh Judicial District on and after January 1, 1927, and providing that on and after said date the county attorney of each county of said district shall perform the duties of a district attorney in said Seventy-seventh District Court in their respective counties, and declaring an emergency."

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 687, "An Act making an appropriation of the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary, out of the general revenue of the State of Texas, to pay the contingent expenses of the Regular Session of the Thirty-ninth Legislature of the State of Texas, providing how accounts may be approved, and declaring an emergency."

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 569, "An Act to validate

all homestead claims or preemptions filed in the General Land Office July 16, 1888, and on which the residence of the first assignee cannot be proved but on which the second assignee has lived twenty years or more, and authorizing patents to be issued thereon, and declaring an emergency."

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 16, "An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 5 of the General Laws of the First Called Session of the Thirty-third Legislature relating to indeterminate sentences, the purpose of this amendment being to provide for the discharge of certain convicts under indeterminate sentences upon certain conditions, and providing that this act shall apply to convicts now serving indeterminate sentences in the penitentiary as well as to those who shall hereafter be sentenced to indeterminate terms of imprisonment in the penitentiary, and declaring an emergency."

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 8, "An Act amending Articles 3, 4, 7, 10, 13, 16, 35, 38, 41, 48, 55, 60, 61, 64 and 65, Chapter 73, of the General Laws of the First Called Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature; Article 67, as amended by Chapter 44, General Laws of the Third Called Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature; and Articles 39 and 53 as amended by Chapter 139, General Laws of the Regular Session of the Thirty-eighth Legislature; changing certain penalties therein, making necessary changes and regulations; closing certain coastal waters for seining; making it unlawful to buy, sell, possess or transport certain fresh water fish; regulating the placing of nets in the coastal waters of the State; providing for the marking of closed waters; regulating the size of fish to be taken; providing for the Fish and

Oyster Fund and appropriating same; prescribing penalties; repealing all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 689, "An Act to make a supplementary appropriation out of the general revenue of the State of Texas, not otherwise appropriated, for the support and maintenance of the State Ranger Force, to be added to the appropriation as made by Senate bill No. 183, passed by the Regular Session of the Thirty-ninth Legislature, for the years beginning September 1, 1925, and ending August 31, 1927, and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 19, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 377, "An Act authorizing the trustees of any common or independent school district of this State to pay off and discharge any bonded indebtedness or any part thereof now or hereafter to be owned by the State permanent school fund, outstanding against any such common or independent school district at any interest-paying date; and authorizing the State Board of Education to permit the redemption of such bonds within their discretion; making the provisions hereof applicable to the governing boards of counties, cities, etc.; providing the mode and manner of such redemption, and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, March 18, 1925.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 393, "An Act to amend

Article 1120 of Title 15 of Chapter 2 of the Code of Criminal Procedure of 1911 as amended by Chapter 127 of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, and by Chapter 70 of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-sixth Legislature, so as to provide that the maximum number of days for which a district attorney may receive pay shall not exceed 230 in any one year in all judicial districts of this State, composed of two counties or more, and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly enrolled.

STOUT, Chairman.

REPORT OF SERGEANT-AT-ARMS.

Austin, Texas, March 29, 1925.

Hon. John E. Davis, Chairman Contingent Expense Committee, House of Representatives, Regular Session of the Thirty-ninth Legislature.

Sir: The following is a statement of stamp and supply accounts for the Regular Session of the Thirty-ninth Legislature:

Stamp Account.

From Third Called Session.

Thirty-eighth Legislature...\$ 99.97
Bought from post office..... 4,500.00

Grand total.....\$4,599.97

Delivered to members, officers and committees.....\$4,295.40

Deposited in Texas Bank & Trust Company..... 304.57

Grand total.....\$4,599.97

Delivered to members, officers and committees:

Mr. Speaker.....	\$ 30.00
Acker, Walter.....	30.00
Albritton, J. C.....	30.00
Alexander, R. B., of Bastrop...	30.00
Alexander, W. P., of Limestone	30.00
Amsler, Jno. C.....	30.00
Atkinson, G. A.....	30.00
Avis, J. D.....	30.00
Baker, O. L., of Orange.....	30.00
Baker, S. S., of Panola.....	14.50
Barker, C. A.....	30.00
Barron, W. S.....	30.00
Bartlett, D. W.....	30.00
Bateman, Sam E.....	30.00
Bedford, Fine G.....	30.00
Bird, J. L.....	30.00
Blount, Eugene.....	30.00
Bobbitt, R. Lee.....	30.00
Boggs, J. H.....	30.00
Bonham, H. S.....	30.00
Brown, H. T.....	30.00

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Bryant, Sam A.....	\$ 30.00	McBride, T. J.....	\$ 30.00
Cade, J. R.....	30.00	McDonald, W. T.....	30.00
Carter, L. L.....	30.00	McDougald, J. R.....	30.00
Chitwood, R. M.....	30.00	McFarlane, W. D.....	30.00
Coffey, J. M.....	3.85	McGill, Joseph.....	30.00
Conway, V. E.....	30.00	McKean, A. J.....	30.00
Coody, G. W.....	30.00	McNatt, H. S.....	30.00
Covey, E. L.....	30.00	Merritt, J. A.....	30.00
Cox, Ernest C., of Navarro....	30.00	Montgomery, W. R.....	30.00
Cox, G. J., of Lamar.....	30.00	Moore, H. H.....	30.00
Cummings, E. S.....	30.00	Morris, T. P.....	30.00
Dale, F. A.....	11.75	Nicholson, C. E.....	30.00
Daniels, Roy J.....	30.00	Parish, O. L.....	13.00
Davis, John E., of Dallas.....	30.00	Pavlica, James.....	30.00
Davis, J. N., of Wood.....	30.00	Pearce, A. L.....	25.00
DeBerry, Tom.....	30.00	Perdue, J. M.....	8.60
Dielmann, H. B.....	30.00	Petsch, Alfred P. C.....	30.00
Dinkle, C. E.....	30.00	Poage, W. R.....	30.00
Donnell, J. R.....	8.50	Pool, Adrian.....	30.00
Downs, E. D.....	18.00	Pope, Bowen.....	30.00
Dunlap, E. D.....	30.00	Powell, Robert A.....	30.00
Dunn, A. C., of Falls.....	30.00	Purl, Geo. C.....	30.00
Dunn, J. M., of Hopkins.....	30.00	Rawlins, John A.....	30.00
Durham, A. J.....	30.00	Raymer, Felix A.....	30.00
Enderby, D. J.....	30.00	Renfro, Thos. J.....	30.00
Farrar, Bowd.....	2.52	Rice, C. C.....	30.00
Faulk, H. L.....	30.00	Robinson, Roger F.....	30.00
Fields, Wm. A.....	30.00	Rogers, John C.....	30.00
Finlay, James.....	30.00	Rowell, Tom D., Jr.....	30.00
Florence, J. H.....	30.00	Rowland, Chas. T.....	30.00
Foster, B. F.....	30.00	Runge, Roscoe.....	30.00
Frnka, J. V.....	30.00	Sanford, Gary B.....	30.00
Graves, W. T.....	30.00	Shearer, A. R.....	30.00
Gray, E. C.....	20.00	Sheats, Corry T.....	30.00
Hagaman, M. H.....	30.00	Simmons, W. J.....	23.50
Hall, J. W.....	24.50	Simpson, Gordon.....	30.00
Harman, W. M.....	30.00	Sinks, Ed. R.....	4.50
Harper, J. W.....	30.00	Smith, Jno. T., of Travis.....	30.00
High, R. E.....	30.00	Smith, L. C., of Nueces.....	30.00
Hollowell, D. S.....	9.75	Smyth, R. P., of Hale.....	30.00
Hoskins, B. B., Sr.....	30.00	Sparks, J. Frank.....	26.50
Houston, S. V.....	10.00	Stautzenberger, Ad. P.....	5.15
Hull, T. P.....	30.00	Stell, J. W.....	30.00
Irwin, T. K.....	30.00	Stevens, R. B.....	22.00
Jacks, Nathaniel.....	30.00	Stevenson, J. W.....	30.00
Jasper, Jno. E. V.....	30.00	Storey, Cecil.....	30.00
Johnson, R. M.....	30.00	Stout, A. Royce.....	30.00
Jones, Walter E.....	30.00	Strong, True.....	30.00
Jordan, Harry.....	30.00	Taylor, Ellis.....	30.00
Justice, H. A.....	30.00	Teer, Claud D.....	30.00
Kayton, Harold.....	30.00	Thompson, C. H.....	30.00
Kemble, George C.....	30.00	Tomme, W. S.....	30.00
Kenyon, L. M.....	30.00	Veatch, John H.....	30.00
King, A. H.....	30.00	Wade, W. A.....	30.00
Kinnear, J. W.....	20.50	Walker, Thomas L.....	30.00
Kittrell, Norman G., Sr.....	11.00	Wallace, John F.....	30.00
Laird, John W.....	30.00	Webb, Henry C.....	30.00
Lane, Lawrence N., of Hamilton	30.00	Wells, H. W.....	30.00
Lane, W. P., of Harrison.....	30.00	Westbrook, J. R.....	30.00
Lipscomb, G. R.....	30.00	Wester, J. K.....	30.00
Loftin, Ruben.....	30.00	Williamson, W. A.....	30.00
Low, Sam D. W.....	30.00	Wilson, Bates F.....	30.00
Mankin, Luke.....	3.28	Woodruff, H. G.....	30.00
Masterson, A. E.....	30.00	Young, Dewey.....	30.00
Maxwell, H. R.....	30.00		

White, Joe W., Sergeant-at-Arms	\$ 15.00
Phinney, Carl, Chief Clerk	30.00
Appropriations Committee	30.00
Contingent Expense Committee	14.00
Journal Clerk	50.00

Total\$4,295.40

Supply Account—Bought and Distributed.

Tobin	\$ 918.48
Steck	858.49
Numbers	224.15
Remington for Ribbons	39.90
Martin, C. J.	36.00
Swann-Schulle	27.00
Miller Blue Print	20.36
Davis, Nelson	19.35
Griffith	11.22
Dahlich	7.97
Hancock Company	4.75
McKean-Eilers	4.23
Shelby	3.00
Crockery Company	.90

Total\$2,175.80

Left over from Thirty-eighth Legislature 176.04

Grand total.....\$2,351.84

Delivered to members, officers and employes..... 2,296.55
Left on hand..... 55.29

Grand total.....\$2,351.84

Mr. Speaker	\$ 65.80
Acker, Walter	4.11
Albritton, J. C.	5.21
Alexander, R. B., of Bastrop	3.00
Alexander, W. P., of Limestone	10.27
Amsler, Jno. C.	2.25
Atkinson, G. A.	5.47
Avis, J. D.	3.45
Baker, O. L., of Orange	3.07
Baker, S. S., of Panola	2.40
Barker, C. A.	6.79
Barron, W. S.	7.60
Bartlett, D. W.	19.49
Bateman, Sam E.	7.66
Bedford, Fine G.	9.11
Bird, J. L.	8.32
Blount, Eugene	6.07
Bobbitt, R. Lee	7.09
Boggs, J. H.	11.25
Bonham, H. S.	6.95
Brown, H. T.	10.17
Bryant, Sam A.	9.94
Cade, J. R.	3.03
Carter, L. L.	5.56
Chitwood, R. M.	6.97
Coffey, J. M.	2.79
Conway, V. E.	4.25
Coody, G. W.	5.78

Covey, E. L.	\$ 3.35
Cox, Ernest C., of Navarro	3.42
Cox, G. J., of Lamar	7.58
Cummings, E. S.	6.96
Dale, F. A.	5.33
Daniels, Roy J.	8.63
Davis, John E., of Dallas	8.33
Davis, J. N., of Wood	5.71
DeBerry, Tom	5.32
Dielmann, H. B.	7.13
Dinkle, C. E.	6.46
Donnell, J. R.	3.61
Downs, E. D.	2.42
Dunlap, E. D.	2.18
Dunn, A. C., of Falls	16.04
Dunn, J. M., of Hopkins	5.83
Durham, A. J.	4.20
Enderby, D. J.	9.12
Farrar, Bowd.	.88
Faulk, H. L.	6.42
Fields, Wm. A.	7.40
Finlay, James	9.60
Florence, J. H.	12.05
Foster, B. F.	5.49
Frnka, J. V.	12.67
Graves, W. T.	4.61
Gray, E. C.	5.14
Hagaman, M. H.	5.05
Hall, J. W.	3.97
Harman, W. M.	6.17
Harper, J. W.	4.58
High, R. E.	3.29
Hollowell, D. S.	6.22
Hoskins, B. B., Sr.	3.54
Hull, T. P.	2.85
Irwin, T. K.	12.35
Jacks, Nathaniel	17.00
Jasper, Jno. E. V.	1.84
Johnson, R. M.	6.76
Jones, Walter E.	5.45
Jordan, Harry	10.15
Justice, H. A.	5.47
Kayton, Harold	7.31
Kemble, George C.	10.90
Kenyon, L. M.	4.12
King, A. H.	7.18
Kinnear, J. W.	3.47
Kittrell, Norman G., Sr.	9.25
Laird, John W.	4.01
Lane, Lawrence N., of Hamilton	4.66
Lane, W. P., of Harrison	5.38
Lipscomb, G. R.	8.45
Loftin, Ruben	10.31
Low, Sam D. W.	4.80
Mankin, Luke	2.05
Masteron, A. E.	13.30
Maxwell, H. R.	12.15
McBride, T. J.	5.10
McDonald, W. T.	6.32
McDougald, J. R.	10.36
McFarlane, W. D.	4.49
McGill, Joseph	14.72
McKean, A. J.	1.85
McNatt, H. S.	5.15
Merritt, J. A.	5.20

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Montgomery, W. R.....\$	5.49	Warrant Clerk	\$ 2.03
Moore, H. H.....	5.21	Sergeant - at - Arms, assistants	
Morris, T. P.....	1.90	and room.....	28.55
Nicholson, C. E.....	8.22	Mailing Clerk.....	171.41
Parish, O. L.....	4.61	Committee Clerks, proofread-	
Pavlica, James.....	8.52	ers, etc.....	26.58
Pearce, A. L.....	4.88	Appropriation Committee.....	47.37
Perdue, J. M.....	5.29	Contingent Expense Committee	13.54
Petsch, Alfred P. C.....	5.17	Stenographic force.....	431.07
Poage, W. R.....	37.31	Toilet account.....	77.90
Pool, Adrian.....	5.64	Voting machine.....	13.40
Pope, Bowen.....	4.75		
Powell, Robert A.....	4.21	Total	\$2,296.55
Purl, Geo. C.....	11.36		
Rawlins, John A.....	6.44	JOE W. WHITE,	
Raymer, Felix A.....	13.83	Sergeant-at-Arms, House of Representa-	
Renfro, Thos. J.....	11.46	tives.	
Rice, C. C.....	22.58	Supplies Left Over.	
Robinson, Roger F.....	23.47	Sergeant-at-Arms' Room.	
Rogers, John C.....	7.97	Stenographers' books.....	15
Rowell, Tom D., Jr.....	7.18	Scratch pads.....	78
Rowland, Chas. T.....	3.08	Drinking cups.....	900
Runge, Roscoe.....	3.76	Tumblers	6
Sanford, Gary B.....	10.85	Pins	3
Shearer, A. R.....	10.20	Onion skin, 8½x11.....	425
Sheats, Corry T.....	17.65	R. R. manila, reams.....	2
Simmons, W. J.....	6.69	Small blotters.....	38
Simpson, Gordon.....	6.94	Stick files.....	7
Sinks, Ed. R.....	4.54	Brads, boxes.....	8
Smith, Jno. T., of Travis.....	21.44	Onion skin, 8½x14.....	225
Smith, L. C., of Nueces.....	6.69	White Sec.	75
Smyth, R. P., of Hale.....	3.37	T. W. brushes.....	17
Sparks, J. Frank.....	4.40	Pens	75
Stautzenberger, Ad. P.....	3.09	Red ink, bottles.....	1
Stell, J. W.....	9.04	Black ink, bottles.....	½
Stevens, R. B.....	5.12	Boxes carbon, 8½x14.....	1
Stevenson, J. W.....	6.73	Notary cards.....	1,000
Storey, Cecil.....	3.36	Palm Olive soap, cakes.....	9
Stout, A. Royce.....	10.05	Lava soap, small.....	39
Strong, True.....	10.62	Paste, bottles.....	6
Taylor, Ellis.....	6.17	Blue pencils.....	34
Teer, Claud D.....	8.82	Venus pencils, dozen.....	6
Thompson, C. H.....	5.70	Envelopes, No. 6½.....	300
Tomme, W. S.....	12.08	Toilet paper.....	24
Veatch, John H.....	4.06	Flat towels.....	10
Wade, W. A.....	3.54	Twine, balls.....	4
Walker, Thomas L.....	5.38	Blotters, large.....	20
Wallace, John F.....	13.46	Legal cap, reams.....	1
Webb, Henry C.....	9.30	Roll Kraft.....	½
Wells, H. W.....	14.84	Letter files.....	63
Westbrook, J. R.....	5.38	T. W. ribbons.....	7
Wester, J. K.....	5.47	Pencil sharpener.....	1
Williamson, W. A.....	9.28		
Wilson, Bates F.....	1.59	Speaker's Room.	
Woodruff, H. G.....	20.86	Sheets	6
Young, Dewey.....	4.89	Pillow cases.....	8
Supplies furnished officers, com-		Bath towels.....	5
mittees, clerks and stenog-		Face towels.....	17
raphers:		Spreads	2
Chief Clerk.....	49.42	Pillows	3
Journal Clerk.....	31.76	Blankets	2
Engrossing and Enrolling		Chiffonier	1
Clerks	170.80	Wardrobe	1
Calendar Clerks.....	49.26	Dressing table.....	1
Reading Clerks.....	24.64	Dresser	1

Desk	1	Small baskets	104
Rocker	1	Stenographers' tables	24
Settee	1	Cuspidors	104
Chairs	2	Large wire baskets	5
Small rocker	1	Swivel chairs	1
Davenport	1	Armchairs	2
Settee	1	Tables	2
Rocker	1	Roller top desk	1
Chairs	3	Steel safe	1
Desks	2	Small waste baskets	125
Waste baskets	2	Tubs	5
Desk chairs	2	Water coolers	4
Library table	1	Water cooler tables	3
T. W. desks	2		
Water cooler	1	Room No. 1.	
Broom	1	Folding chairs	41
Bucket	1	Arm bottom chairs	164
Funnel	1	Split bottom chairs	171
Pitcher and glass	1	Stenographers' chairs	22
Duster and brush	1	Revolving chairs	2
Furniture in Sergeant-at-Arms' Room.		Folding chairs	41
Saw	1	Cooler table	1
Journal files	134	Room No. 4.	
Bill files	149	Chairs	22
Screwdriver	1	Engrossing room	9
Pair P. O. scales	1	Stenographers' tables	5
Stepladder	1	Tables	3
Table baskets	34	Desks	3

JOE W. WHITE,
Sergeant-at-Arms, House of Representa-
tives.

FINAL REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

Hon. Lee Satterwhite, Speaker House of Representatives.

Sir: Herewith we hand you the final account to date of the Contingent Expense accounts of the House of the Regular Session of the Thirty-ninth Legislature. The list includes all that have been received up to this time; all of which have been approved and vouchers issued for the amounts as per numbers and dates herewith:

Date	Voucher No.	To Whom	Amount
1925			
Jan. 23	1	To F. L. Patty, for rent on twenty-seven typewriters, first month.	\$ 108 00
Jan. 23	2	Chas. E. Huddleston, Postoffice Superintendent, box rent for quarter, one hundred and forty-nine members.	160 00
Jan. 24	3	Swann-Schulle Furniture Co., for furniture for Chief Clerk's room.	331 85
Jan. 24	4	Underwood Typewriter Co., for two typewriters for Speaker and Chief Clerk.	166 06
Jan. 24	5	Swann-Schulle Furniture Co., for furniture for Speaker's room and typewriter tables.	116 25
Jan. 24	6	Texas School for the Blind, for one-half dozen brooms.	3 13
Jan. 24	7	Photostat Corporation, for supplies for the voting machine.	71 73
Jan. 24	8	The Cargill Co., for painting and lettering name plates for voting machine.	39 20
Jan. 29	9	Geo. C. Purl, for telephone to M. H. Thomas, at Dallas.	1 55
Jan. 29	10	J. T. Hamilton, for express charges on voting machine supplies.	10 13
Jan. 30	11	W. E. McGuire, for expenses of trip to Huntsville, secretary and reporter, Sub-Committee Special Penitentiary Investigating Committee.	31 07
Jan. 31	12	Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co., for window in the Speaker's room.	28 00
Feb. 2	13	Texas School for the Blind, for brooms and mops.	6 70
Feb. 2	14	The Walter Tips Co., for hardware.	13 11
Feb. 3	15	C. L. Phinney, Chief Clerk, for postage, stationery, dust rags, prior to opening Session.	9 65
Feb. 3	16	A. H. King, for expenses to Huntsville, member of the Penitentiary Investigating Committee.	30 32
Feb. 4	17	W. E. McGuire, for services and expenses account of Penitentiary Investigating Committee.	46 30
Feb. 5	18	Joe W. White, for warrant issued for postage on order of Speaker, January 15th.	1,500 00
Feb. 5	19	Garey Arnold, for expense account as witness before Penitentiary Investigating Committee.	22 86
Feb. 5	20	T. K. Irwin, for expense to Huntsville, member of the Penitentiary Investigating Committee.	30 32
Feb. 6	21	Joe W. White, Sergeant-at-Arms, for postage for members.	1,000 00
Feb. 7	22	Miller Blue Print Co., for ink and thumb tacks ordered by Mr. Hamilton.	16 28
Feb. 7	23	A. C. Baldwin & Sons, for printing two-hundred and seventy-five copies of eighty-three bills for House, from January 13th to 30th.	679 25
Feb. 7	24	V. L. Griffin, for expense account as witness before the Penitentiary Investigating Committee.	33 50
Feb. 7	25	Mrs. Jim Cade, for expense account as witness before the Penitentiary Investigating Committee.	44 72
Feb. 7	26	J. H. Hartman, for expense account as witness before the Penitentiary Investigating Committee.	32 71
Feb. 9	27	Western Union Telegraph Co., for messages sent by Chief Clerk.	9 93
Feb. 10	28	R. F. Coleman, for expense account as witness before the Penitentiary Investigating Committee.	21 37
Feb. 11	29	Southwestern Bell Telephone Co., for rent and connection charges on telephones in Sergeant-at-Arms', Speaker's, and Chief Clerk's offices, and four calls.	42 51
Feb. 11	30	Lang Floral and Nursery, for floral design for the funeral of Mrs. C. G. Thomas.	25 00
Feb. 11	31	M. G. Newton, for desk keys, gavel stand and block, three Yale locks, repair on steps for House.	26 15
Feb. 11	32	W. E. McGuire, for salary as secretary to Penitentiary Investigating Committee.	42 00
Feb. 11	33	Fritz R. Smith, for expense account as witness before Joint Penitentiary Investigating Committee.	15 00
Feb. 12	34	Claude D. Teer, for telegrams sent on Legislative business.	3 55
Feb. 12	35	B. E. Quinn, for expenses incurred on account of funeral of Hon. J. O. Merriman, as instructed by Speaker Seagler.	33 50
Feb. 12	36	L. C. Stewart, for expenses incurred on account of funeral of Hon. J. A. Merriman, as instructed by former Speaker Seagler.	13 40
Feb. 12	37	A. C. Baldwin & Sons, for printing two hundred and seventy-five copies of fifty-five bills for House from January 30th to February 6, 1925.	797 50
Feb. 13	38	Miss Bess Milam, for one month's rent on her own typewriter.	5 00
Feb. 14	39	Tobin's, Inc., for stationery and supplies for House.	707 56

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Date	Voucher No.	To Whom	Amount
Feb. 14	40	To S. S. Pettus, Agent, for eighty-one copies of Dallas News, 85 cents per month; forty-two copies of Houston Chronicle, 75 cents per month; three copies of Dallas Journal, 50 cents per month	\$ 101 85
Feb. 14	41	A. G. Kroener, Agent, for forty-seven copies of Star-Telegram, 85 cents per month; thirty-four copies of Houston Post Dispatch, 75 cents per month; two copies of Waco News Tribune, 75 cents per month, for members of House	66 95
Feb. 16	42	Mrs. Eula Myers, for one month's rent on Remington typewriter used by Miss Watson, January 16th to February 16th	5 00
Feb. 16	43	F. L. Patty, for rent on two new typewriters, one from January 17th to February 17th; one from February 5th to March 5th—\$2.00 due exchange for new typewriters	12 00
Feb. 17	44	Lee Satterwhite, for telegrams sent on Legislative business	15 09
Feb. 17	45	Tobin's, Inc., for stationery and supplies for the House	328 80
Feb. 17	46	Voss & Koock, for extra and labor for water cooler in Speaker's room	2 50
Feb. 18	47	R. M. Chitwood, for expense account on trip to Huntsville and Houston as member of the Penitentiary Investigating Committee	37 79
Feb. 18	48	W. E. McGuire, for salary to Penitentiary Investigating Committee for six days at \$6.00 per day, and expenses account to Huntsville and Houston	73 14
Feb. 18	49	N. P. Prater, for expense account as witness before Joint Penitentiary Investigating Committee	30 34
Feb. 18	50	G. A. Neal, for expense account as a witness before Committee Investigating Highway Department	18 06
Feb. 18	51	J. W. Stevenson, for expense account as a member of the Joint Penitentiary Investigating Committee	37 79
Feb. 19	52	Cliff Pendergrast, for fifty-five subscriptions to San Antonio Express at 75 cents per month; three subscriptions to San Antonio Evening News at 45 cents per month, for members of the House	42 60
Feb. 19	53	W. M. Miller, for expense account as a witness before Joint Penitentiary Investigating Committee	47 72
Feb. 19	54	Galveston Tribune, for two months' subscription for Mr. Kenyon, member of the House	1 00
Feb. 19	55	A. C. Baldwin & Sons, for printing two hundred and seventy-five copies of eighty-three bills for the House, from February 8th to February 13, 1925	921 25
Feb. 19	56	Nelson Davis & Son, for toilet supplies ordered by Mr. Hamilton	11 85
Feb. 20	57	W. R. Montgomery, for telegrams sent on legislative business	10 00
Feb. 21	58	W. A. Williamson, for telephone calls and telegrams sent on legislative business	10 00
Feb. 21	59	J. Frank Sparks, for telephone calls and telegrams sent on legislative business	10 00
Feb. 21	60	Corsicana Daily Sun, for two months subscription for Hon. E. C. Cox, member of House	1 50
Feb. 21	61	Swann-Schulle Furniture Co., for one typewriter table and one stationery rack	7 75
Feb. 21	62	Denton Record-Chronicle, for two months' subscription for the Hon J. M. Coffey, member of House	1 00
Feb. 23	63	Von Boeckmann-Jones Co., for printing daily Journal, Regular Session, twenty-seven days	2,689 28
Feb. 23	64	E. W. Numbers, for paper, blotters and covers, for the House	142 90
Feb. 24	65	R. W. Calglazier, for expense account as witness before Highway Investigating Committee	10 80
Feb. 25	66	W. E. Miller, for expense account as a witness before Penitentiary Investigating Committee	24 47
Feb. 25	67	Judge T. Ferguson, for expense account as a witness before the Highway Investigating Committee	22 50
Feb. 25	68	A. H. King, for expense account to Huntsville as member of Penitentiary Investigating Committee	29 64
Feb. 26	69	C. A. Dahlich, for furnishings for House office	692 40
Feb. 26	70	A. C. Baldwin & Sons, for printing two hundred and seventy-five copies of seventy-one bills for House, February 13th to February 20, 1925	761 75
Feb. 26	71	R. P. Smythe, for telegrams sent on legislative business	10 00
Feb. 26	72	T. K. Irwin, for expense account for trip to Huntsville as member of Penitentiary Investigating Committee	36 79
Feb. 26	73	Buck Manning, for expense account as witness before Penitentiary Investigating Committee, February 18 and 19	14 90
Feb. 26	74	Hayes Goree, for expense account as a witness before Penitentiary Investigating Committee, February 18 and 19	9 50
Feb. 27	75	W. E. McGuire, for salary as secretary to Joint Penitentiary Investigating Committee six days at \$6.00 per day	36 00

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Date	Voucher No.	To Whom	Amount
Feb. 27	76	To Judge W. W. McCrory, for expense account as a witness before Highway Investigating Committee.	\$ 10 50
Mar. 3	77	D. K. Martin, for expense account as a witness before Highway Investigating Committee.	26 47
Mar. 3	78	R. M. Hubbard, for expense account as a witness before Highway Investigating Committee.	67 20
Mar. 3	79	A. C. Love, for expense account as a witness before Highway Investigating Committee.	34 52
Mar. 3	80	W. A. Spaulding, for expense account as witness before Highway Investigating Committee.	23 66
Mar. 3	81	G. A. Bracher, for expense account as a witness before Highway Investigating Committee.	16 48
Mar. 3	82	B. F. Teague, for expense account as a witness before Highway Investigating Committee.	9 10
Mar. 3	83	T. A. Low, for expense account as a witness before Highway Investigating Committee.	15 63
Mar. 3	84	W. E. McGuire, for carbon and transcript paper used by secretary, Joint Penitentiary Investigating Committee.	25 35
Mar. 3	85	Geo. Armistead & Co., for auditing services to Committee on Appropriation and Expenses.	426 35
Mar. 3	86	Albert Connor, for expense account as a witness before Joint Penitentiary Investigating Committee.	9 50
Mar. 4	87	A. C. Love, for expense account as a witness before Highway Investigating Committee.	25 87
Mar. 4	88	H. M. Hargrove, for expense account as a witness before Highway Investigating Committee.	28 42
Mar. 4	89	B. B. Johnson, for expense account as a witness before Highway Investigating Committee.	25 87
Mar. 4	90	H. W. Sayle, for expense account for two trips as a witness before Penitentiary Investigating Committee.	87 88
Mar. 5	91	Austin Laundry, for laundering linens from Speaker's room.	5 76
Mar. 5	92	O. Clay White, for reporting and transcribing proceedings of Highway Investigating Committee.	38 25
Mar. 5	93	Joseph McGill, for telegrams sent on legislative business.	6 00
Mar. 6	94	E. L. Pitts, for expense account as a witness before Highway Investigating Committee.	34 84
Mar. 6	95	Joe W. White, for postage for members of House.	1,000 00
Mar. 6	96	J. C. Nagle, for expense account as a witness before Highway Investigating Committee.	23 13
Mar. 6	97	W. T. McDonald, for telegrams sent on legislative business.	1 98
Mar. 6	98	A. C. Baldwin & Sons, for printing two hundred and seventy-five copies of fifty-nine bills, February 20th to March 3, 1925.	830 50
Mar. 6	99	J. M. Dunn, for repayment for one-half sum paid J. R. Reed Music Co., for use of piano in House of Representatives February 18th, as provided in resolution adopted March 5, 1925.	5 00
Mar. 7	100	Julian C. Field, for expense account as a witness before Highway Investigating Committee.	32 50
Mar. 7	101	A. R. Shearer, for telegrams sent on legislative business.	10 00
Mar. 7	102	G. A. Bracher, for expense account as a witness before Highway Investigating Committee.	6 00
Mar. 9	103	H. H. Moody, for reporting and transcribing proceedings of the Highway Investigating Committee.	48 58
Mar. 9	104	G. W. Courter, for expenses as a witness before Highway Investigating Committee.	7 00
Mar. 9	105	Nelson Davis & Son, for toilet supplies.	7 50
Mar. 9	106	Fred E. Hess, for expense account as a witness before Highway Investigating Committee.	20 25
Mar. 9	107	R. M. Hubbard, for expense account as a witness before Highway Investigating Committee.	47 09
Mar. 9	108	Felix A. Raymer, for telegrams.	9 82
Mar. 9	109	R. F. Robinson, for telegrams.	9 75
Mar. 10	110	Thomas J. Renfro, for telegrams.	10 00
Mar. 10	111	J. R. McDougald, for telegrams.	10 00
Mar. 10	112	C. C. Rice, for telegrams.	3 99
Mar. 10	113	J. M. Dunn, for telegrams.	4 94
Mar. 10	114	Griffith Drug Co., for toilet supplies for use of House.	11 06
Mar. 10	115	Geo. C. Kemble, for telegrams.	10 00
Mar. 10	116	Carry T. Sheats, for telegrams.	7 85
Mar. 10	117	H. H. Moore, for telegrams.	8 36
Mar. 10	118	True Strong, for telegrams.	10 00
Mar. 10	119	L. C. Smith, for telegrams.	6 60
Mar. 10	120	G. W. Coody, for telegrams.	5 76
Mar. 10	121	A. H. King, for telegrams.	8 41
Mar. 10	122	J. D. Avis, for telegrams and rent paid for postoffice box, \$1.00.	5 13
Mar. 10	123	Jas. Finlay, for telegrams.	5 98
Mar. 10	124	Nathaniel Jacks, for telegrams.	10 00
Mar. 11	125	H. L. Faulk, for telegrams.	10 00

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Date	Voucher No.	To Whom	Amount
Mar. 11	126	To W. S. Barron, for telegrams	\$ 10 00
Mar. 11	127	J. L. McAtee, for expense account and reporting and transcribing proceedings of Highway Investigating Committee	216 79
Mar. 11	128	A. G. Kroener, for newspapers for the members of the House, as thirty-four subscriptions to Houston Post Dispatch, 75 cents; forty-seven subscriptions to Fort Worth Star-Telegram, 85 cents; two subscriptions to Waco News Tribune, \$1.50; one subscription to Star Telegram for twenty-five days, 75 cents	67 70
Mar. 11	129	Robt. A. Powell, for telegrams	4 15
Mar. 11	130	A. E. Masterson, for telegrams	5 69
Mar. 11	131	E. S. Cummings, for telegrams	9 04
Mar. 11	132	Sam D. W. Lowe, for telegrams	10 00
Mar. 11	133	V. E. Conway, for telegrams	8 62
Mar. 11	134	Edna Rugel, Clerk, for cash to refund members' expense incurred in sending telegraph and telephone messages	51 47
Mar. 12	135	Ben F. Foster, for telegrams	10 00
Mar. 12	136	R. B. Stevens, for telegrams	9 52
Mar. 12	137	D. K. Martin, for expense account as a witness before Highway Investigating Committee	26 32
Mar. 12	138	C. A. Dahlich, for leathers and nails to upholster chairs used in the House of Representatives	7 97
Mar. 12	139	Chas. R. Haile, for expense account as a witness before Highway Investigating Committee	19 36
Mar. 12	140	H. B. Dielmann, for telegrams	10 00
Mar. 12	141	Remington Typewriter Co., for rent for one month on typewriter used by Committee on Appropriations	4 00
Mar. 12	142	Nathaniel Jacks, for expense to Dallas as member of Highway Investigating Committee	20 30
Mar. 12	143	Bowd Farrar, expense account for Huntsville trip as member of Penitentiary Investigating Committee	29 72
Mar. 13	144	H. S. Bonham, for telegrams	10 00
Mar. 13	145	Brownwood Bulletin, for two subscriptions for two months for Jas. Finley and A. L. Pearce	3 00
Mar. 13	146	E. L. Covey, for telegrams	4 77
Mar. 13	147	Wm. A. Fields, for telegrams	8 32
Mar. 13	148	J. C. Amsler, for telegrams	6 25
Mar. 13	149	Four States Press, for subscription for two months for Rep. W. J. Simmons	1 00
Mar. 13	150	Amarillo Daily News, for two subscriptions for Rep. Gray and Smythe	1 90
Mar. 14	151	Jos. V. Frnka, for telegrams	10 00
Mar. 14	152	J. J. Biffle, for ten subscriptions to Fort Worth Record for two months at 85 cents, for members of House	17 00
Mar. 14	153	Miss Ora Taulbee, for two months' rent on typewriter at \$5.00 per month	10 00
Mar. 14	154	W. D. McFarlane, for telegrams	10 00
Mar. 16	155	Chas. T. Rowland, for telegrams	5 70
Mar. 16	156	Jas. W. Stell, for telegrams	10 00
Mar. 16	157	W. Broadnax, for expense account as a witness before Highway Investigating Committee	24 85
Mar. 16	158	T. K. Irwin, for telephone calls and telegrams	10 00
Mar. 16	159	Tom L. Walker, for telegrams and telephone calls	4 23
Mar. 16	160	Tom DeBerry, for telegrams	7 41
Mar. 16	161	J. R. Cade, for telephone calls and telegrams	5 63
Mar. 16	162	R. M. Johnson, for telegrams and telephone calls	10 00
Mar. 16	163	Eugene H. Blount, for telegrams	7 02
Mar. 16	164	Jno. T. Smith, for telephone calls	6 75
Mar. 16	165	Roy J. Daniels, for telegrams and telephone calls	9 64
Mar. 16	166	Cliff Pendergrast, for fifty-five subscriptions to San Antonio Express for one month and five days at 75 cents; and three subscriptions to San Antonio Evening News	51 15
Mar. 16	167	Austin American-Statesman, for 63 subscriptions to American for two months at 75 cents; forty-one subscriptions to Statesman, for members of the House	116 15
Mar. 16	168	Shelby Dry Goods Co., for thirty yards of bunting used for dust rags	3 00
Mar. 16	169	C. J. Martin & Sons, for 200 pounds floor sweep and five cases of towels used in the House of Representatives	36 30
Mar. 16	170	Ernest C. Cox, for telegrams and telephone calls	8 25
Mar. 16	171	Wm. Harmon, for telephone calls and telegrams	3 35
Mar. 16	172	Mrs. Bess Odell Strong, for rent on her typewriter for entire session of Thirty-ninth Legislature	8 80
Mar. 17	173	John E. V. Jasper, for telegrams	5 01
Mar. 17	174	Miss Bess Milam, for one month's rent on her typewriter used in the Enrolling room	5 00
Mar. 17	175	Joe W. White, for postage for the members of the House	500 00

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Date	Voucher No.	To Whom	Amount
Mar. 17	176	To A. G. Kroener, for newspapers for members, forty-seven subscriptions to Fort Worth Record, March 15 to March 19, 1925; thirty-four subscriptions to Houston Post Dispatch, March 15 to March 19, 1925; two subscriptions to Waco News Tribune	\$ 12 45
Mar. 17	177	T. P. Hull, for telephone calls	8 50
Mar. 17	178	Mrs. Norah Clagett, for Notary fees for testimonies, Confederate Home Investigation	3 50
Mar. 17	179	H. S. McNatt, for telegrams and telephone calls	10 00
Mar. 17	180	Southwestern Bell Telephone Co., for telephone calls for Joint Penitentiary Investigating Committee	17 20
Mar. 17	181	Western Union Telegraph Co., for telegrams sent by Joint Penitentiary Investigating Committee	17 90
Mar. 17	182	Von Boeckmann-Jones Co., for printing House Daily Journals, 27th day to 39th day	2,869 04
Mar. 17	183	Mabel E. Berry, for rent for her own typewriter for nine weeks	9 00
Mar. 17	184	F. Yantis Robnett, for expense account as a witness before Penitentiary Investigating Committee	36 55
Mar. 17	185	G. B. Sanford, for telegrams	3 29
Mar. 17	186	A. C. Dunn, for telephone calls	10 00
Mar. 17	187	A. J. Durham, for telephone calls	10 00
Mar. 17	188	A. C. Baldwin & Sons, for printing two hundred and seventy-five copies of forty-seven bills for House	407 00
Mar. 18	189	J. W. Stevenson, for telegrams	9 69
Mar. 18	190	Homer Maxwell, for telegrams	9 94
Mar. 18	191	Sam E. Bateman, for telegrams	9 23
Mar. 18	192	Lone Star Ice Co., for ice used in the House for entire session of Thirty-ninth Legislature	49 48
Mar. 18	193	S. S. Pettus, Agent, for eighty-two subscriptions to Dallas News for one month and six days at 85 cents; forty-two subscriptions to Houston Chronicle for one month and six days at 75 cents; three subscriptions to Dallas Journal one month and six days at 50 cents, for members of House	125 38
Mar. 18	194	Miss Virgie Thorp, for services rendered House Highway Investigating Committee for night and transcribing notes	50 00
Mar. 18	195	J. H. Boggs, for telegrams	7 97
Mar. 18	196	Paris News, for two subscriptions for two months, for two members of House	2 00
Mar. 18	197	Western Union Telegraph Co., for telegrams sent by the Highway Investigating Committee	15 71
Mar. 18	198	Western Union Telegraph Co., for telegrams sent by the Chief Clerk of the House	3 89
Mar. 18	199	Southwestern Bell Telephone Co., for rent for one month on three telephones in the House and calls made by Chief Clerk	21 38
Mar. 18	200	Arthur Jones, Agent, for twelve subscriptions to Galveston News for two months and six days at 75 cents, for members of House	20 16
Mar. 18	201	Tobin's, Inc., for stationery and supplies used by the House	462 09
Mar. 18	202	A. L. Burge, for expenses incurred under provision of Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1, relating to sale of State property	38 37
Mar. 18	203	Edna Rugel, for cash to refund members of House for expense incurred in sending telegrams and telephone calls	42 78
Mar. 18	204	Bates F. Wilson, for telegrams	9 57
Mar. 18	205	Jno. C. Rogers, for telegrams	9 27
Mar. 18	206	Mrs. Eula V. Myers, for one month's rent on Remington typewriter used by Miss Watson	5 00
Mar. 18	207	W. R. Poage, for telephone calls	6 10
Mar. 18	208	E. D. Dunlap, for telegrams	6 60
Mar. 18	209	Gordon Simpson, for telegrams	3 67
Mar. 18	210	H. T. Brown, for telegrams	10 00
Mar. 18	211	The Walter Tips Co., for one pair scissors, pliers, one double socket, two frosted lamps used in House	5 27
Mar. 18	212	Miller Blue Print Co., for three quarts and one pint of ink used in the House	3 84
Mar. 18	213	Texas School for Blind, for five warehouse brooms, at \$7.50 per dozen, for use in the House	3 12
Mar. 18	214	George C. Purl, for telegrams	8 45
Mar. 18	215	Wayland Ellis, for services as page for nights to the Highway Investigating Committee	8 00
Mar. 19	216	W. A. Wade, for telegrams	10 00
Mar. 19	217	Von Boeckmann-Jones Co., for printing House Journal from fortieth day through the forty-fourth day	1,490 20
Mar. 19	218	Underwood Typewriter Co., for rent on typewriters used during session of Thirty-ninth Legislature	76 00
Mar. 19	219	Wichita Falls Record News, for one subscription for two months for members of House	1 00

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Date	Voucher No.	To Whom	Amount
Mar. 19	220	To A. E. Hancock & Co., for electrical supplies for voting machine	\$ 4 75
Mar. 19	221	Joe W. White, Sergeant-at-Arms, for postage for members of House	500 00
Mar. 19	222	Edna Rugel, Clerk, for cash to refund members of the House for expense incurred in sending telegrams and telephone calls	19 11
Mar. 19	223	W. E. McGuire, for services and expenses rendered Joint Penitentiary Investigating Committee	426 02
Mar. 19	224	Harry Jordan, for telegrams	6 04
Mar. 19	225	A. C. Baldwin & Sons, for printing two hundred and seventy-five copies of twenty bills for House	137 50
Mar. 19	226	Roscoe Runge, for telephone calls	5 60
Mar. 19	227	Western Union Telegraph Co., for telegrams sent by House Highway Investigating Committee	1 92
Mar. 19	228	Harold Kayton, for telephone calls	10 00
Mar. 19	229	Mrs. Dora Mears, for rent on her typewriter used in the House two months by Miss Pearl Williams	10 00
Mar. 19	230	E. W. Numbers, for paper and covers for use in House	81 25
Mar. 19	231	E. L. Steck Co., for stationery supplies for use in House	838 49
Mar. 19	232	Tobin's, Inc., for stationery and supplies for House	109 60
Mar. 20	233	John L. Martin, for rent on lamps used in Engrossing room	5 96
Mar. 20	234	Remington Typewriter Co., for forty-four ribbons used in the House, at 35 cents	15 40
Mar. 20	235	Austin Laundry, for laundering linen in Speaker's room	2 57
Mar. 20	236	Western Union Telegraph Co., for messages sent by Speaker and Chief Clerk	8 23
Mar. 20	237	Tobin's, Inc., for stationery supplies	38 60
Mar. 20	238	Remington Typewriter Co., for seventy typewriter ribbons used in House	24 46
Mar. 20	239	R. L. Bobbitt, for telegraph expense	10 00
Mar. 20	240	R. M. Chitwood, for telegraph expense	10 00
Mar. 21	241	Walter Tips Co., night latch for door to Engrossing room and set steel figures for voting machine	3 20
Mar. 21	242	F. L. Patty, for rent on twenty-eight typewriters for one month and seven days	130 37
Mar. 23	243	E. L. Steck Co., for stationery and supplies used by House	28 35
Mar. 23	244	Southwestern Bell Telephone Co., for calls by Speaker and Chief Clerk	3 85
April 16	245	Remington Typewriter Co., for thirteen assorted typewriter ribbons for House	4 55
April 16	246	C. A. Dahlich, for table for use of House	5 20
April 16	247	Evening Mirror, Hillsboro, for two months' subscription for Representative W. A. Fields	1 00
April 16	248	Abilene Daily Reporter, for subscriptions for Representatives Pope and Cummings	4 40
April 16	249	Perkins & Wilson, McKinney, for subscription to Courier Gazette two months for Representative Sam E. Bateman	1 00
April 16	250	San Antonio Light, for six subscriptions of two months each for members of House	9 00
April 16	251	Times Publishing Co., for subscription to Wichita Falls Daily Times two months for five members of House	6 50
April 16	252	Daily Register, for two months' subscription to Gainesville Daily Register for Representative Enderby	1 60
April 16	253	Underwood Typewriter Co., for rent on one typewriter used by House for two weeks	2 00
April 16	254	The Enterprise Co., for subscription to Beaumont Daily Enterprise one month and twenty-five days for five members of House	6 85
April 16	255	Western Union Telegraph Co., for messages sent by Speaker of House	2 78
May 6	256	W. E. McGuire, for expense and transcribing proceedings of Joint Penitentiary Investigating Committee	135 09
Total			\$25,645 86

In submitting this report, I desire, on behalf of the Committee to express our appreciation for the cooperation of the Speaker, and our clerk, Miss Edna Rugel, who rendered highly efficient service at all times.

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN E. DAVIS, Chairman.

In Memory
of
Hon. Charles A. Culberson

Mr. Davis of Dallas offered the following resolution:

Resolved by the House, the Senate concurring, That the membership of the Legislature of Texas has heard with emotions of profound sorrow of the death of Hon. Chas. A. Culberson, who was for four years Attorney General of Texas, for four years Governor of the State, and who for twenty-four years represented Texas as United States Senator, and whose death closes a public career rarely, if ever, equaled in the history of Texas. By his ability, his stainless integrity in high station, and his fidelity to his convictions, and to his constituency he left the impress of his great intellectual power, legal ability, and exalted public character upon the era in which he lived; be it further

Resolved, That we tender to the family of the deceased statesman our sincere sympathy in their irreparable loss, which we share; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent by telegraph forthwith to the widow of the deceased, and that a page of the House Journal of today be set apart and dedicated to the memory of the distinguished dead, and that this resolution be adopted by a rising vote of the House.

DAVIS of Dallas and Others.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted by a rising vote.

